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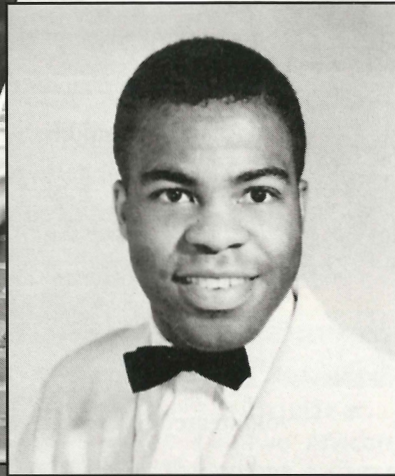
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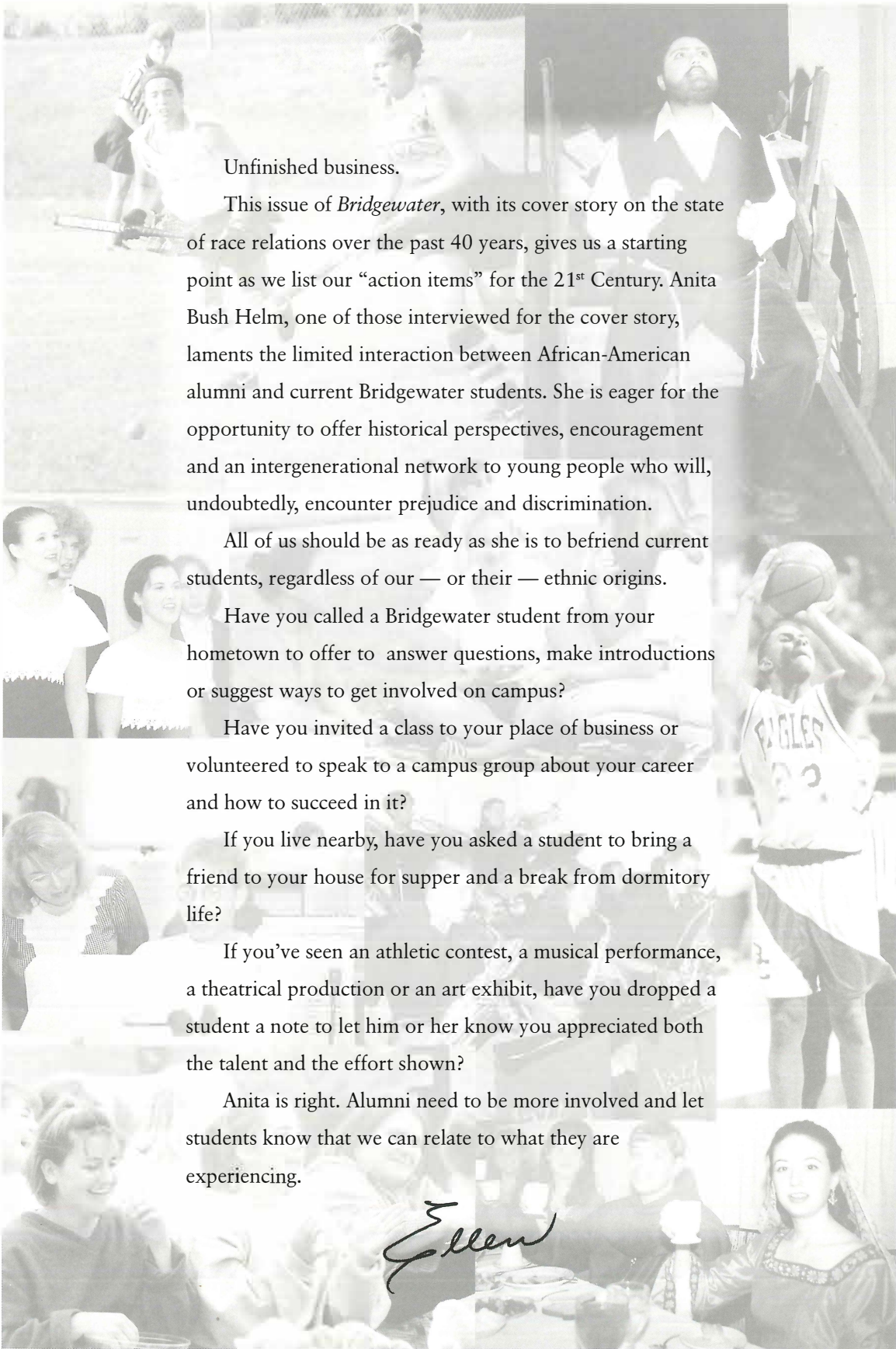
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THE FIRST WORD



Unfinished business.

This issue of *Bridgewater*, with its cover story on the state of race relations over the past 40 years, gives us a starting point as we list our “action items” for the 21st Century. Anita Bush Helm, one of those interviewed for the cover story, laments the limited interaction between African-American alumni and current Bridgewater students. She is eager for the opportunity to offer historical perspectives, encouragement and an intergenerational network to young people who will, undoubtedly, encounter prejudice and discrimination.

All of us should be as ready as she is to befriend current students, regardless of our — or their — ethnic origins.

Have you called a Bridgewater student from your hometown to offer to answer questions, make introductions or suggest ways to get involved on campus?

Have you invited a class to your place of business or volunteered to speak to a campus group about your career and how to succeed in it?

If you live nearby, have you asked a student to bring a friend to your house for supper and a break from dormitory life?

If you’ve seen an athletic contest, a musical performance, a theatrical production or an art exhibit, have you dropped a student a note to let him or her know you appreciated both the talent and the effort shown?

Anita is right. Alumni need to be more involved and let students know that we can relate to what they are experiencing.

Ellen

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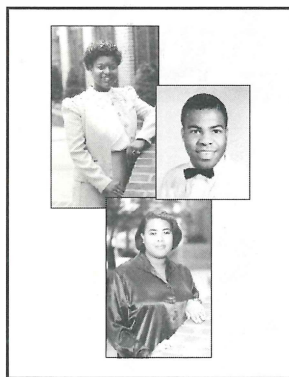
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A Gift of Health

A \$1 million gift from Fred O. Funkhouser, philanthropist and retired Shenandoah Valley banker, will initiate detailed planning and construction of a health and wellness center at Bridgewater College.

The donation, the College's first major gift of

College View Drive and East College Street, have been set at approximately \$3 million.

Mr. Funkhouser, who now lives in Florida, made the gift to Bridgewater in memory of his wife, the late Virginia Coffelt Funkhouser, who died in 1997.

In announcing the gift, President Phillip C. Stone said "both Mr. and Mrs. Funkhouser have always been interested in young people. Mrs. Funkhouser, who was a registered nurse, also had a strong interest in health issues. Helping to create a health and wellness facility for generations of college students will be an enduring legacy from this wonderful couple."

Dr. Stone announced that the new facility will be named the Fred O. and Virginia C. Funkhouser Center for Health and Wellness.

Mr. Funkhouser explained to President Stone that his desire to support Bridgewater College in a substantial way developed "because yours is a small Christian college trying to educate good people for society."

Mr. Funkhouser, as president, directed the growth of the former Harrisonburg Loan and Thrift Corp. and guided its transition into Spotswood Bank, which then became United Virginia Bank and now is the local division of Crestar Bank.

Although neither of the Funkhousers attended Bridgewater, Mr. Funkhouser

has supported the College both personally and through his business for decades.

The Funkhouser Center is being designed to relieve overcrowding in Nininger Hall, which serves both intercollegiate and intramural team sports as well as providing facilities for individual fitness training. As student enrollment has surpassed 1,100 and interest in physical fitness has increased, Nininger, which opened in January 1958 and was expanded in 1980 and again in 1989, cannot meet the demand for workout space and fitness classes.

Preliminary plans for the Funkhouser Center include a main floor with two full-size basketball courts that will double for volleyball and tennis, two racquetball courts, lockers, showers, offices and a conference room. An upper floor will include a multi-purpose room designed to accommodate aerobics classes, a fitness and weight-training area, a room for dance classes, and a track for walking and jogging.

Nininger Hall will continue to host the College's intercollegiate athletic contests, serve as the academic center for the Department of Health and Physical Education and house the aquatics program.

The construction schedule for the Funkhouser Center is dependent on raising the full cost of the project.

— Ellen K. Layman

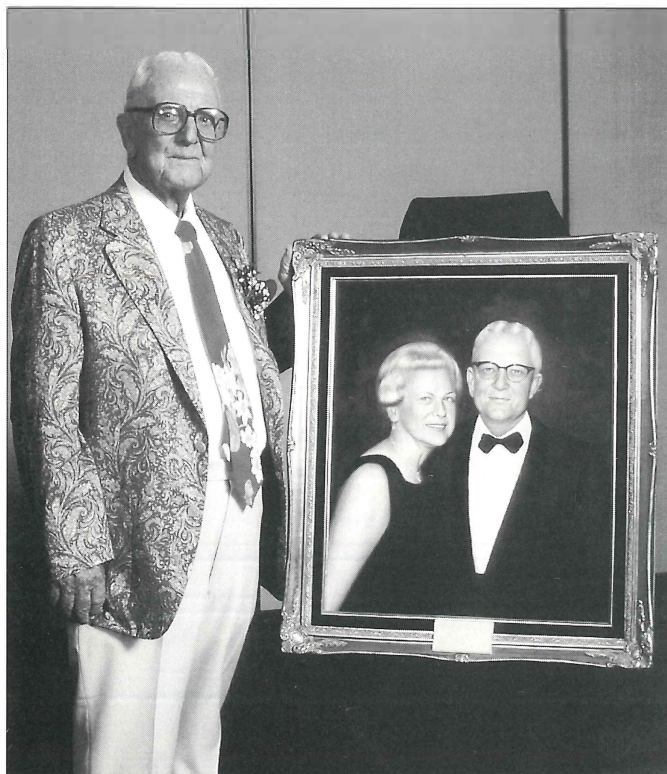


Photo Courtesy of Rockingham Memorial Hospital Foundation

A portrait of Fred O. and the late Virginia C. Funkhouser, for whom the proposed health and wellness center will be named, is displayed by Fred Funkhouser.

1999, begins a fund-raising effort authorized by Bridgewater's Board of Trustees last fall to build a health and wellness center to serve the campus community. Preliminary estimates on the cost of the structure, which will be located at the corner of



Trustee Report

W. Wallace Hatcher, president of Lantz Construction Co. of Broadway, Va., was elected to a 14th one-year term as chairman of the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees during the board's November 1998 meeting.

Mr. Hatcher, a 1955 Bridgewater graduate, joined the board in 1973.

The trustees also re-elected the board's vice chairmen — Anne Murray Reid of Roanoke, Va., '60, as vice chairman for educational policy and campus life and Marion E. Mason of Bridgewater, '53, as vice chairman for development and public relations.

James H. Walsh, '68, a Richmond attorney, was elected secretary of the board, succeeding William D. Wampler, '50, of Harrisonburg. Anne B. Keeler, the College's vice president for finance and treasurer, was elected treasurer of the board. She succeeds Melvin D. Wampler, who has been named the College's assistant vice president for

facilities and support services.

Four trustees were re-elected to five-year terms on the board — Mr. Hatcher; Michael C. Martin, '76, of Bristow, Va.; L. Manning Muntzing of Potomac, Md.; and Wilfred E. Nolen, '63, of Elgin, Ill.

The board conferred Life Trustee status on Barbara Carter Stone of Bassett, Va., who joined the board in 1979, and William D. Wampler, who has served on the board since 1983.

Anna Hartman Hall of Potomac, Md., a 1946 Bridgewater alumna, was elected as an Honorary Trustee.

At the close of the meeting, the Trustees passed memorial resolutions honoring Dr. Garland F. Miller, '33, who served on the board for 33 years and as its chairman from 1978-85 and who died Sept. 7, 1998; Dr. Walter Samuel Flory Jr., '28, a Trustee since 1958 who died June 8, 1998; and Sidney Aldhizer Beeson, an Honorary Trustee who died June 8, 1998.

— Ellen K. Layman

A Time to Remember

In late October, students, faculty, staff, family and friends dedicated a sundial on the front lawn of the McKinney Center for Science and Mathematics. The sundial, purchased by the Student Senate, honors students who died while attending Bridgewater College. The three-year project reflects the tragic loss of six classmates over the past several years.

The brass sundial measures three feet in diameter and weighs 148 pounds. Inscribed on its face is the phrase: "Time takes all but memories." On the sundial's base is a plaque that explains the purpose of the memorial and a poem, *The Great Clock*, by Winona R. Jewell, chosen from poems submitted by students and faculty during the

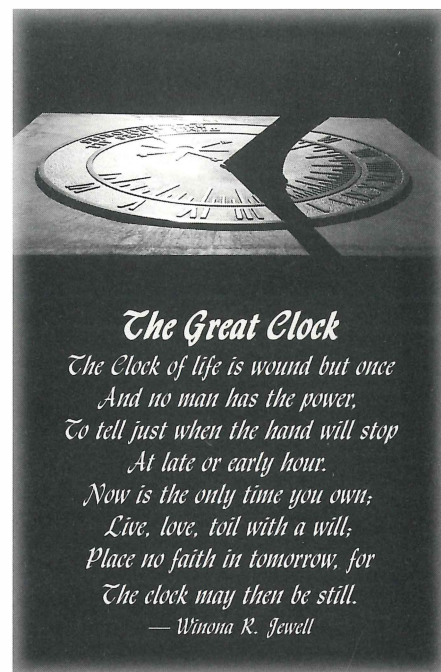


Photo by Rich S. Vallaster

The Great Clock

*The Clock of life is wound but once
And no man has the power,
To tell just when the hand will stop
At late or early hour.
Now is the only time you own;
Live, love, toil with a will;
Place no faith in tomorrow, for
The clock may then be still.*
— Winona R. Jewell

In Honor and Loving
Memory Of Our Friends —
Steven Wayne Good
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Who's Who

The following Bridgewater College professors were recognized in the fifth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, 1998. All the faculty were nominated by one or more former students who were themselves listed in either *Who's Who Among American High School Students* or The National Dean's List.

Dr. K. Gary Adams, *prof. of music*; Prof. Martha S. Armstrong, *assoc. prof. of accounting and business administration*; Dr. Stephen F. Baron, *asst. prof. of biology*; Dr. John G. Barr, *prof. of organ and piano*; Dr. Erich E. Brumbaugh, *prof. of chemistry*; Dr. Carole C. Grove, *prof. of education*; Dr. Arthur J. Gumenik, *Carman G. Blough Assoc. Prof. of Accounting*;

Dr. Jeffrey H. Pierson, *assoc. prof. of communication and director of forensics*; Dr. Sarah E. Swank, *prof. of biology*; Dr. Leroy G. Williams, *asst. prof. of computer science*; and Prof. Kimberly D. Wright, *asst. prof. of physical education and director of aquatics*.

past year. All of the poems and a scrapbook have been placed on permanent reserve in the Alexander Mack Memorial Library.

In a letter of thanks from the parents of Stephen Tayman, one of the students memorialized, they said that "Bridgewater College will always be a special place for the Tayman family. It was Stephen's 'home' away from home."

— Rich S. Vallaster, '99

Technology: Key to the Future

The chairman-elect of the 15 member schools in the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC) and a current BC student were cited for their service during the annual President's Dinner on Nov. 6.



Photo by Roberta W. Byerly

Mark Warner, winner of a 1998 Outstanding Service Award, and President Stone talk prior to the President's Dinner.

The dinner honors the College's major supporters and concludes the fall Board of Trustees meeting each year.

Receiving Outstanding Service Awards from President Phillip C. Stone were Mark R. Warner, chairman-elect of the board of trustees of the VFIC, who also was the evening's speaker, and Amber B. Cropper, a senior psychology major from Millsboro, Del., the first student recipient of the award.

Mr. Warner, chief executive officer of Columbia Capital Corporation, a merchant and investment-banking firm in Alexandria, Va., was applauded by Dr. Stone for his work in the information technology industry

and his commitment to community service.

Mr. Warner has developed a successful business career in which he has helped to create more than 25 technology companies while he also worked to provide health care in underserved communities, boost economic development in rural communities and aid college students interested in technology careers.

In order to provide medical care to over 100,000 Virginians who are either uninsured or who live in underserved communities, he helped create the Virginia Health Care Foundation, a public-private partnership, in 1992.

Last year, he developed three programs designed to meet workforce demands in Virginia's growing high-tech economy. The Virginia High Tech Partnership is assisting students at Virginia's five historically black colleges and universities find summer internships and job placements in technology fields. His Southwest One project directs investments to early-stage technology businesses in rural southwest Virginia.

In September 1998, Mr. Warner announced a new Information Technology (IT) Certification program involving the schools in the VFIC, including Bridgewater. Leaders from business and education worked to create an exam to measure basic technology skills; students who pass the exam earn IT certification, a skills validation to present to prospective employers.

Mr. Warner also has been active in Democratic politics in Virginia, serving as chair of the

party for two years and as the Democratic nominee for the U.S. Senate in 1996.

"We are on the verge of a new Virginia," Mr. Warner stated. He suggested that the current technological revolution could mean "a rebirth of rural life and values." Today, 8 to 10 percent of American workers are telecommuters, he said. "More young people will have the choice to stay and raise a family where they grew up ... Opportunity is limited only by imagination."

He said technology can improve education, which is essential in an economy like that of the U.S. where a young person can expect to have "seven different careers during his or her working life." He said that in 1970, 40 percent of the U.S. workforce was unskilled labor; by 2000, only 15 percent of the jobs will be for unskilled workers; 65 percent of the jobs will require computer skills, but only 40 percent of the workers will have the necessary computer skills.

He noted an example of how technology is improving life in Virginia. In Blacksburg, the town and Virginia Tech are known as an electronic village, all connected on a network. Although some predicted that this would have negative effects on the community, instead it has enhanced community life, he said. Neighbors have discovered shared interests through the electronic network. Interestingly, he said, the group using the network the most in Blacksburg are senior citizens.

— Mary K. Heatwole
Ellen K. Layman



Making a Difference

A big grin and a bear hug from a special 10-year-old named Matthew were waiting for Amber Cropper when she stepped from the podium after receiving her Outstanding Service Award. The first student to receive this award, Miss Cropper said she was honored and that the award was a surprise. However, she quickly added, "That's not why I do it. It's not to get awards or to be recognized. I do it because I like it."

Like most students, her college career has been filled with classes, studying, athletics, friends and social activities, but this dedicated, energetic and busy young woman, who is committed to helping others, also is involved in service organizations both on- and off-campus. Amber "got involved" in the community only two months after arriving at BC as a freshman from Millsboro, Del. That's when she was "matched" with Matthew through the Harrisonburg-Rockingham County Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

During their more than three-year relationship, Amber and Matthew have "grown closer... and share a lot more things, and there's a lot more trust." Matthew especially enjoys spending time at BC

with Amber and her friends because of "all the attention he gets." The two enjoy roller skating, going to the park, picnicking, playing football and taking regular excursions to the mall and Toys "R" Us to look at the toys and play video games. Matthew also attends many of Amber's field hockey and lacrosse matches to cheer her on, although she admits that he also enjoys tossing a football during her matches.

Amber, who will finish her course-work at the end of Interterm, is presently looking for a job — one that involves working with children and, of course, one that allows her to be active. She hopes to stay in the local area, partly because of Matthew. She said that "he started out two years ago, asking 'Am I gonna lose you?' and 'What's going to happen after graduation?' and that kind of hits your heart."

In addition to her involvement with Big Brothers/Big Sisters, she volunteers with the Bridgewater Rescue Squad. In less than three years with the squad, she has completed emergency medical technician (EMT) and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training and is now certified in both, and she has participated in many life-saving and rescue operations. On campus, she is a member of the Community Service Organization which matches

students, faculty and staff with area volunteer opportunities, the Student Service Board and the BC chapter of Habitat for Humanity. In March, she will participate in her third "Alternative Spring Break" with Habitat's BC chapter, going to Florida for the second straight year to work on a housing construction project near Miami.

Helping others is what drives Amber Cropper. "That's what I believe that I'm here for. If I just make a difference in one person's life, then I've done my job." And she certainly is making a difference in a lot of lives, both at BC and beyond, and especially in the life of a little boy named Matthew.

— Roberta W. Byerly



Photo Courtesy of Amber Cropper

Amber Cropper and "little brother" Matthew following one of Amber's field hockey matches.

(Below): President Phil Stone presents Amber Cropper with an Outstanding Service Award



Photo by Roberta W. Byerly

Courses You May Have Missed

Wheel-Thrown Ceramics

by Michael J. Hough
*Assistant Professor
of Art*

I have been asked many times, "What do you do for a living?"

My response is: "I play in the mud."

This leads into a lengthy explanation of my love of clay as a creative medium, its incredible history in the development of the human race and the unlimited potential for its use both functionally and artistically. My own work is hand-built clay sculpture, reaching at times, to nine-feet tall. I am fascinated by all things made of fired clay. I collect them, study their history and try to master the techniques used in their manufacture.

This course, along with Hand-Built Ceramics and Advanced Wheel-Thrown

Ceramics, began with my joining the Bridgewater College faculty. The job description listed sculpture, 2-D and 3-D design and CERAMICS as required abilities for the position. I had to apply. At the interview, I discovered a ceramics program was not part of the art major, but there was strong interest in adding it. I accepted the position with the stipulation that it be built into the major, which meant finding the funds to buy the equipment. In less than a year, we were in possession of the best electric potter's wheels available and a waiting list for the class as long as the course list itself. And, with two tons of clay piled in the back room, we were off.

The course is described as an "introductory ceramics course in which clay is explored as a creative medium." The class focuses on the production of functional objects using the potter's wheel, as well as a variety of hand-building techniques. It includes an introduction to clays, glazes and other ceramic materials; medium and material safety; and a variety of glazing and firing techniques. Many of the students learn how to stack and fire the kilns, as well as how to mix glazes and about glaze chemistry (how to formulate your own glazes and alter color and melting temperature). The class also includes slide presentations on historical and contemporary ceramics, local clay digging, field trips and presentations by visiting artists.

Like playing a musical instrument or juggling, the most important part of master-

ing pottery-making techniques is practice. From body position and how a student shapes his or her hands, to the speed of the wheel and the amount of water being used, all steps in the process are equally important. A progression is made from the bowl form, to cups, vases and bottles. This is followed by a series of lidded forms and a teapot project. The final piece is a composition of smaller thrown elements that must reach at least 24 inches in height. This last piece is a bit daunting to those who have grown used to pots that never get past the eight-inch mark all quarter. But it also provides the students with a wonderful, large vessel to take home at the end of the course.

A final part of the course is local ceramic history. The Shenandoah Valley is known for its more than 200-year history of pottery production. Along the river in Bridgewater, or behind any of the older houses, pottery shards dating back 100-150 years are commonly found. The class looks at these shards and pots, the clays and glazes used, and tries to understand their importance in daily life and the role the potter played in it. I hope to some day incorporate local clays into the class and have the students dig and process some of their own.

Through presentation, demonstration and practice; a knowledge of history, the sciences and economics; the Wheel-Thrown Ceramics class guides its participants through the steps of shaping mud into masterpieces. ■



Photo by Roberta W. Byerly

Prof. Michael Hough demonstrates a technique for senior Rufus Fisher.



Stock Transfers

Many of Bridgewater's alumni have asked how they can contribute appreciated securities to the College, without first having to sell their shares or get involved in a time-consuming process. In response to that interest, Bridgewater College has made this transaction easier.

Securities now can be transferred directly into a College account by the shareholder or by his or her broker. The College has established accounts with different brokerage houses which makes it possible for the gift to be made directly.

With the market as strong as it has been, this is an excellent time to give stock and avoid paying capital gains taxes on the appreciated value.

"I think you should publicize that transferring stock is a very good way to give a major gift," says Dr. Ralph L. Shively, a retired math professor and department chair at Lake Forest College in Illinois. "The tax advantages are huge. If it is a stock you really want to own, give the appreciated stock as a charitable gift, take the tax savings and buy the stock back, beginning with a much better cost basis for future appreciation."

He speaks from experience. Dr. Shively gave Bridgewater enough AT&T stock to fund a scholarship for math majors — a way to help good

students pursue a field he loves and also as a memorial to his late father, Dr. Levi S. Shively.

Both Drs. Shively taught math at Bridgewater after retiring — Dr. Levi Shively from 1955-60 and Dr. Ralph Shively on an interim basis since 1993.

"I have a warm spot in my heart for Bridgewater," Dr. Ralph Shively explains. Although neither he nor his father is a Bridgewater alumnus, he has decided that "I want my money to go to Bridgewater College."

Dr. Levi Shively, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan who earned his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago, was a college math professor who served as president of Mt. Morris College in Illinois.

Dr. Ralph Shively taught at and chaired the Department of Math and Computer Studies for 22 years at Lake Forest and also taught at Swarthmore, Case Western and Manchester colleges. He and his wife Catherine now live in Bridgewater.

The 1998-99 recipient of the Levi S. Shively Memorial Scholarship in Mathematics is Jennifer Mills, a senior from Waynesboro, Va., who is a double major in math and Spanish.

For information on how to make a gift of appreciated stock, call O. Walton Wine Jr., Director of Planned Giving, at 540-828-5498 or toll-free at 1-800-476-4289.

— Ellen K. Layman

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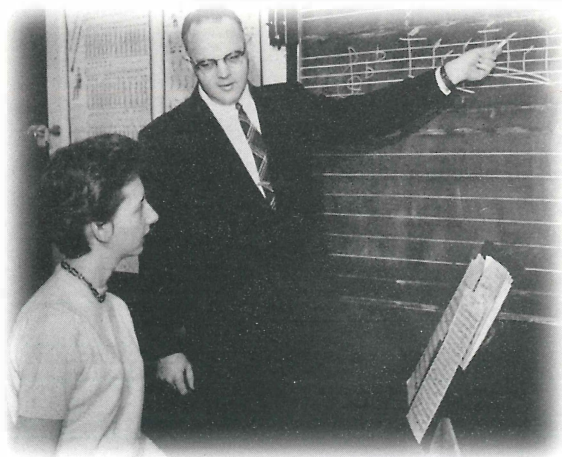
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William C., '42, and Kathleen Humbert Suter, '45, owners of Suter's Handcrafted Furniture in Harrisonburg and long-time supporters of the College's business campaign and annual fund, are helping improve the appearance of the College. As a result of the Suters' donation last fall, two pieces of furniture were selected as part of refurbishing the S. Ruth Howe Room in Moomaw Hall. Grace F. Steinberg, department chair and assistant professor of family and consumer sciences, chose a cherry Hepplewhite sofa table and a walnut Duncan Phyfe arm chair. The Howe Room is used by family and consumer science students and for College receptions and meetings. Since these items were selected, the Suters have committed a monetary gift to be used by the College to "purchase" another piece of furniture. ■

Bill and Kathleen Suter (left), with President Phil and Cherrill Stone and the sofa table donated by the Suters.

Faculty & Staff Notes

Dr. Richard Bowman, professor of physics, had his article, "Evaluating Pseudo-Random Number Generators," republished in *Chaos and Fractals: A Computer Graphical Journey*, edited by Clifford A. Pickover and published by Elsevier of New York. Dr. Bowman's article was originally published in 1995 in the peer-reviewed *Computers and Graphics* journal.



Prof. Michael Hough, assistant professor of art, exhibited "New Ceramic Sculpture," at the Sycamore House Gallery in Harrisonburg.

Garland Press has published its reference work *Walt Whitman: An Encyclopedia*, which includes four entries written by **Dr.**

Edward Huffstetler, associate professor of English: "The American South," "O-Magnet South," "The Bureau of Indian Affairs" and "Spontaneity."

Dr. Tom Kinder, director of athletics, was elected Nov. 3 to a four-year term on the Bridgewater Town Council.

Bill Leatherman, head men's basketball coach, was inducted into the Ferrum College Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a member of the basketball and baseball teams from 1962-64. At that time, Ferrum was a two-year college. During his 13 years at Bridgewater, Coach Leatherman has compiled a 196-143 record and guided the Eagles to three NCAA Division III tournaments.

Prof. Ralph MacPhail Jr., professor of theatre, speech and English, will speak on "The Partnership: Gilbert, Sullivan and D'Oyly Carte," in February 1999, at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Prof. MacPhail's address will be the final one in a series of three lectures celebrating the 75th anniversary of New York's Blue Hill Troupe.

Two faculty members have been awarded emeritus rank, each having served the BC community for 37 years. **Dr. W. Robert McFadden** has been named professor of philosophy and religion emeritus, and **Miss Laura Mapp** has been

named associate professor of physical education emerita.

Dr. Lynn McGovern-Waite, who joined the Bridgewater faculty in 1992, has been promoted to full professor of Spanish.

Dr. Philip F. O'Mara, associate professor of English, has published an article, "The Light Behind the Cloud of Unknowing," in *Studia Mystica*, Vol. 19 (1998). The essay discusses the doctrine of God and Christ stated, and the forms of religious experience described, in the writings of the unknown 14th Century writer whose principal work is a Middle English prose treatise known as "The Cloud of Unknowing."

President Phillip C. Stone presented the first Ronald D. Hodges Lecture on Professional Ethics to the University of Virginia Medical School faculty. The annual lecture program was instituted in memory of Mr. Hodges, a law partner and close friend of Dr. Stone's, who died unexpectedly in February 1998.

Dr. Alice L. Trupe, assistant professor of English and director of the Writing Center, presented a paper, "Academic Literacy in A Wired World," at the eighth annual Central New York Conference on Language and Literature at Cortland College of the State University of New York.

— Mary K. Heatwole



A New Perspective

Rich Vallaster is a senior sociology major from Frederick, Md. He and other students in sociology professor Dr. Carl Bowman's class "The Community" spent a day during fall term working at a Church of the Brethren soup kitchen in Washington, D.C. This exercise gave the students the opportunity to interact one-on-one with the homeless and get an up-close look at their life.

Empty eyes, torn jackets, bags of belongings and hungry stomachs, these characterize the homeless of our nation's capital — men and women of various ages, races and backgrounds. As we sparingly dished out what could be their only meal of the day, they cried for more. It was hard not to give in to their pleas, but we were instructed to only give certain amounts to make sure there was enough food for everyone. The enormous amount of food we had prepared that morning seemed meager in comparison to the number of people to be fed.

The work was both depressing and uplifting, as we took time to speak to the homeless and ask how they

were doing. Some would say, "Thank you," and smile; others would grab the food and look away. They all had stories — some outlandish and funny, others moving and compelling, like a Vietnam vet, who is still trying to claim benefits, and a dentist, who lost his practice. We were amazed to find in this random group of homeless people many with college degrees, families, jobs and real intelligence. We were shocked to hear how some had just fallen on bad luck or through the cracks of society.

Following cleanup, we had time to talk with two of the more "well known" homeless at the soup kitchen. These "characters" were known for their crazy behavior and unique personalities. As we spoke to these individuals — because of their stories — everything we had read in class became much clearer. No textbook could ever have described the faces on these individuals.

After the trip, we purchased 43 children's books for the Church of the Brethren soup kitchen to hand out at Christmas. The trip truly gave me a new perspective and respect for what homeless people have to suffer through and what their lives are like.

— Rich S. Vallaster, '99

Neal Retires

After almost 28 years on the faculty, with 24 of those years also spent as coach of the golf team, Lamar Neal, associate professor of political science and history, packed up his books and hung up his clubs. Following Winter Term 1999, he retired to his family home in Meridian, Miss. There he will spend time fixing up the house that has been in his family for three generations, do a little traveling and do some adjunct teaching at the Meridian branch of his alma mater, Mississippi State University.

Prof. Neal, who is perhaps best known as the golf coach, hopes that he "will be remembered for his academic contributions" as well. He will carry with him fond memories of his years at BC, both happy and sad, and said that the thing he will miss most is the people. He has seen many changes to the campus over the years, including many physical changes, an increase in enrollment and perhaps above all "an improvement in the quality of the students" in terms of preparedness when they enter BC.

Regarding his retirement plans, Prof. Neal quipped, "I can tell you one thing. I won't be playing golf. It's been work for me!"

— Roberta W. Byerly

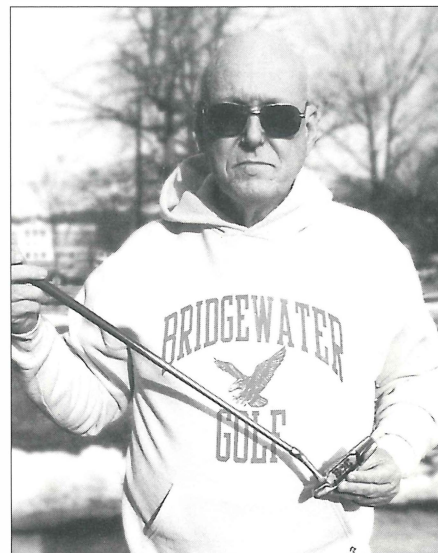


Photo by Roberta W. Byerly

Prof., and golf coach, Lamar Neal shows off his BC Eagles putter that was presented to him as a retirement gift during the Homecoming Golf Tournament.

Pritchett Back on Campus

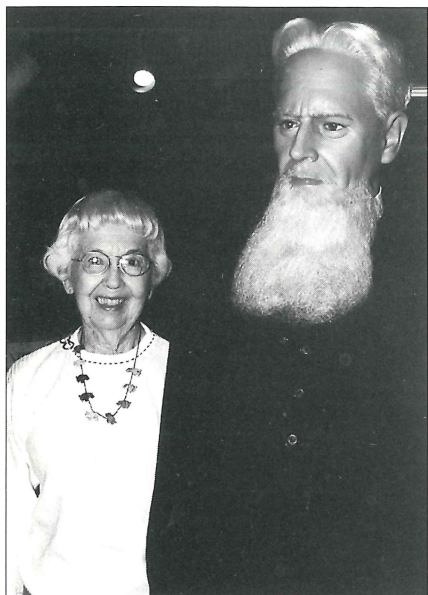


Photo by Ellen K. Layman

Ethel Pritchett Kintner, daughter of the late Rev. Reuel B. Pritchett, stands with her "father" in the museum named for him.

Visitors to the Reuel B. Pritchett Museum on Bridgewater's campus are now greeted by the Rev. Reuel Pritchett himself — or at least a remarkable likeness of the white-bearded gentleman whose vast and eclectic collection forms the bulk of the museum's inventory. Outfitted entirely in Mr. Pritchett's own traditional Brethren clothing, *this* Mr. Pritchett stands, hat and cane in hand, much like the well-known Tennessee pastor who died in 1974.

The Pritchett family raised \$4,000 to have the mannequin created by Dorfman Museum Figures Inc. of Ellicott City, Md. Dorfman, recommended by Ruth Greenawalt, director of the Alexander Mack Memorial Library, and Terry Barkley, Pritchett Museum curator and library archivist, fashioned the mannequin from photographs of Mr. Pritchett with the assistance of family members who traveled to the workshop to make specific selections.

Along with the mannequin, the museum has a tape recording of Mr. Pritchett that visitors may play to hear him talk about his life.

On Nov. 15 Pritchett family members from Tennessee and Ohio visited the museum to view the mannequin and hold a mini-reunion. They also donated to the museum several more items that once belonged to Mr. Pritchett, including a pocket watch and his last Bible.

— Ellen K. Layman

Presidential Challenge

"For each unrestricted dollar you give to the Annual Fund as your senior gift, I'll match it!"

With those words from President Phillip Stone, seniors set plans in motion last October to encourage each member of the Class of '99 to contribute \$19.99 to the Annual Fund by the end of the College's fiscal year on June 30, 1999.

President Stone issued his challenge to the seniors to help them gain an early understanding of the importance of alumni supporting their college. He said he also wanted to communicate the importance of alumni participation in the Annual Fund. "When our alumni participate in the Annual Fund, they enhance the value of their Bridgewater diplomas, because their involvement tells others that they hold the College in such high regard that they are willing to help underwrite its needs. This sends a powerful message to people far and wide about the quality of this institution."

Senior Stephanie Thompson said she was truly amazed when she learned that a year's tuition and fees from one student buy only about one third of a Bridgewater day. "When I learned that it costs the College over \$65,000 a day to run this school, that put the whole idea of giving in focus for me," she said. This understanding has prompted her to help coordinate the campaign's senior Class Agents program for the dorms.

Class President Jo Ann DeCoursey issued a letter to her classmates, encouraging them to support the senior gift plan. The seniors' potential total contribution of \$4,697.65 holds promise of being the largest graduating class cash gift in the College's history, after President Stone matches the final gift amount.

Miss DeCoursey noted that the campaign coordinators realize they have some educating to do. "As I see it, our biggest challenge is overcoming the mindset of the seniors who feel their tuition and fees over the past four years have been gifts enough. As class leaders, our focus is to first explain that without the financial support of the alumni who came before us, most of us wouldn't be completing our college education in May. Now as young alumni, it's our responsibility to help make this quality education available for students coming after us."

"The next challenge is explaining the term *unrestricted*," Miss DeCoursey continued. "The agents and class leaders will need to help our classmates understand that the unrestricted dollars benefit *all* students. Designated gifts benefit only the students involved in those departments, programs or scholarships identified to receive the gifts," she said.

The Senior Class Gift Campaign runs from January through June 30. Class leaders are hoping that they and President Stone can present their ceremonial checks at the senior Great Tent Event on May 13.

— Judy E. Williams
Executive Director of
College Relations



COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

17 - April 1

IN THE ART GALLERY
Scott Jost,
photographic images

MARCH

11

LECTURE
William Phillips,
Nobel Laureate in Physics

14 - 16

Spiritual Life Institute

22

LYCEUM
American Brass Quintet

APRIL

7 - 23

IN THE ART GALLERY
BC Students' Shows

15 - 18

THEATRE
B.C. Pinion Players
Student-Directed One-
Act Plays

28 - May 6

IN THE ART GALLERY
Senior Thesis Exhibition

30 - May 1

Alumni Weekend
In Reunion: The classes
of '59, '54, '49, '44, '39,
'34 and '29

MAY

4

CONCERT
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and ensembles

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MARCH 11

William Phillips

Nobel Prize winning physicist William Phillips presents a demonstration lecture, "Almost Absolute Zero: The Story of Laser Cooling and Trapping." He explains how laser cooling works and why, how atoms can now be cooled to less than a millionth of a degree above absolute zero, and how atoms are used for applications ranging from super-accurate atomic clocks to atom lasers.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Cole Hall



MARCH 14-16

The 104th Annual

Spiritual Life Institute

"Stewardship Education for the Local Congregation"

Of special interest to pastors and lay people who deal with their church's stewardship program, this year's Institute will provide helpful insights and information concerning stewardship through nightly worship services, Bible studies and workshops. Call (540) 828-5451 for information about the 104th annual SLI.

Leaders:

Dr. Phil Williams, *Ex. Dir.*, Ecumenical Center for Stewardship Studies
Dr. Steve Reid, *Professor*, Austin (Texas) Seminary

Worship Speakers:

Rev. Shawn Replogle, '92, *Pastor*, Waterloo (Iowa) Church of the Brethren
Rev. Rhonda Pittman Gingrich, '89, *Dir.*, Resource Center for Minneapolis
Dr. Fred Swartz, '58, *Pastor*, Manassas (Va.) Church of the Brethren

Sunday - Tuesday

College Chapel



"The High Priests of Brass" —
Newsweek Magazine

presents an annual formal concert series in New York City, is ensemble-in-residence at both The Julliard School and the Aspen Music Festival and tours extensively.

Monday, 8 p.m.

College Chapel

MARCH 22

American Brass Quintet

In the ensemble's 37-plus-year history, it has performed in virtually all of the world's major cities, concert halls and music festivals. Performing a broad repertoire of music, from Renaissance to contemporary American, the group

Happily Ever After Bridgewater

It's February, and
that means Valentine's

The Sacketts

Neither Charlie nor Marilee Miller Sackett (both Class of 1949) had a typical college beginning. After Charlie completed his freshman year, he left for three years during World War II. His return to campus in the fall of 1946 coincided with the arrival of Marilee, a transfer student from Mary Washington College. Both were sophomores and knew of each other. The campus was much smaller then, and "everybody knew everybody."

One afternoon, Marilee and a friend were taken into Harrisonburg by the friend's cousin. However, the cousin failed to return to bring them back to campus. But luck was with them. They ran into Charlie and his roommate, and they recognized them as BC students. The guys were planning to hitchhike back to campus and agreed to take the girls with them. A farmer came to their rescue and took them back to campus.

Charlie was so intrigued with Marilee that he asked her out for the very next day. She had planned to attend church with her roommate, but said if he would like, he could come along. He did, and this marked the beginning of their relationship.

Charlie and Marilee were married June 5, 1948, in Troutville, Va., and celebrated 50 wonderful years of marriage last year. They have three children, one of whom is deceased, and seven grandchildren, two of whom are currently attending Bridgewater College. Charlie is a retired district manager of

Day. Have you ever wondered about couples who met each other on campus and subsequently married?

Four couples share their stories of how Bridgewater College played a significant part in their lives.

by Stephanie L. LaPrade, '00



Charlie and
Marilee Miller Sackett,
June 5, 1948

Continental Grain Co., and Marilee is a retired elementary schoolteacher. They live in Westminster, Md.

The Stones

Cherrill Kline Stone, Class of 1966, says that she and her husband Phil, Class of 1965, first noticed each other in the dining hall. They were introduced by a mutual friend, Connie Strausbaugh, who was also Cherrill's roommate. Although they had one class together, they did not participate in similar extracurricular activities.

Phil would meet Cherrill outside Yount Hall (her residence hall) to go to meals. Visitation in the dorms was not permitted. They also spent evenings together in the snackshop, then in the basement of Memorial Hall. Females had to sign out if they wanted to leave campus, and they had to be in by 11 p.m. If they weren't back, they would be "campused" — their activities were restricted to class meetings for a designated period of time, usually one week.

Phil was an accomplished debater, and one time he found himself without clean shirts needed for an upcoming debate trip. Cherrill volunteered to wash them for him, but was caught by her dorm mother, who felt this was inappropriate and unseemly conduct for a young lady, and Cherrill was campused for one week.

Phil and Cherrill were married on Sept. 21, 1963. They have four children and two grandchildren. Cherrill formerly

taught seventh grade English in Harrisonburg, and she also was a TV personality on the local Channel 3 children's program, Romper Room. Phil received his juris doctorate from the University of Virginia and practiced law with Wharton, Aldhizer and Weaver in Harrisonburg for many years. Phil became Bridgewater College's seventh president in 1994. He also has served as president of the Virginia Bar Association.

The Kyles (no photo available)

Michael Kyles and Deborah Dandridge Kyles (both members of the Class of 1972) met on the very first day they were on campus. At that time, all freshmen would meet in the gymnasium on that first day to meet their counselor or advisor. Michael remembers being early and meeting his advisor, Prof. Paul Kline.

The next thing Michael recalls were the doors opening and Deborah walking in to find her counselor. The two happened to have the same advisor, which was ironic, considering there were only about 10 students who shared an advisor. Although Deborah had a boyfriend at the time, Michael told her to write him and let him know that it was over.

Within six months, Deborah and Michael were dating, and they continued to date throughout their four years at Bridgewater. They too cited the snackshop as a meeting place, because of the no-visitation policy in the dorm rooms. They sometimes studied in the lounge, but at 11 p.m., males had to leave, so the snackshop became a popular rendezvous spot. They did not participate in many activities together; however, Michael says, "We were always together." He even admitted that wherever she was, he was always nearby.

Deborah and Michael were married in the Bridgewater Church of

Scott and
Amy Valentine VanPelt,
June 6, 1998



the Brethren Chapel on May 20, 1972, by Dr. William Mengebeir, one of Michael's biology professors. They and their son live near Richmond, Va. Michael is an orthopedic surgeon at Mid-Atlantic Spine Specialists, and Deborah teaches in the Richmond public school system.

The VanPelts

C. Scott VanPelt says freshman orientation is when he first noticed Amy Valentine. They were both members of the freshman class in 1993, and as their college years went by, they became friends through a mutual class, Chorale. They both participated in Pinion Players' productions, and Scott says he was interested in dating her during their junior year. However, when he asked some friends to check into the possibility of getting a date with her, he was told she wasn't available.

But that wasn't the end of their story.

That summer Amy worked in the Admissions Office, and her friends tried to set them up. Amy asked him out at the beginning of their senior year, but they remained just friends until December, when the tables were turned and he asked her out. They dated each other throughout the rest of their senior year. They even made plans for their wedding in the Eagle's Nest (the snackshop)!

Scott and Amy both participated in the Chorale and Concert Choir, which allowed them to spend more time together. They graduated in 1997, and were married June 6, 1998, at Elias Lutheran Church in Emmitsburg, Md. Amy is a residential assistant with Pleasant View Homes in Broadway, and Scott is in management with Rite Aid in Harrisonburg. ■



Phil and
Cherrill Kline Stone,
Sept. 21, 1963

Changes Past ...Changes Future

Race Relations at Bridgewater College

by Rich S. Vallaster, '99

"We will never reach a color-blind society."

That assessment from Alfred Whitelow comes from a vantage point that covers the full history of racial integration at Bridgewater College.

He was here at the beginning, as a student in the late 1950s. He's here now, as a member of the Board of Trustees.

His perspective, that a prejudice-free society is a laudable goal worthy of effort, but not likely to be fully achieved, is shared by other African-American alumni and students.

Anita Bush Helm recalls feeling somewhat disconnected from the mainstream as a "minority" student and envisions a time when a stronger alumni influence could help current students fully find their places in the Bridgewater College community.

One of those current students, Larenda "Ren" Ridley, sees a lot of similarity between her

Chesapeake, Va., high school and Bridgewater College – in terms of their cultural diversity – but feels there was more unity among African Americans in high school than there is in college. The reason, she believes, is that college students are attempting to stake out their own identities as individuals and possibly are not as reliant on a group identity.

Those three voices, spanning from the 1950s to the beginning of the 21st Century, relate Bridgewater's history as one of the first colleges in Virginia to admit African American students and one of the first to force other colleges, particularly BC athletic opponents, to reconsider their own racial policies.

Their recollections serve two purposes — to show how far we have come as a society and to point the way to changes that still need to be made.

Alfred T. Whitelow

Alfred T. Whitelow entered Bridgewater in 1956 and graduated in 1960 with a B.S. degree in business administration. His brother, Carlyle "Cotton" Whitelow, assistant professor emeritus of physical education, had



Staff Photo

graduated in 1959, almost three years after the first African American student at Bridgewater, Karen Weaver Scott, earned her degree as a transfer student. Carlyle Whitelow returned to BC in 1969 as a coach and physical education professor and was a faculty member for 28 years before retiring.

Alfred, a retired case manager of large tax returns for the Internal Revenue Service, is living in Harrisonburg and has been a member of the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees since 1991.

Alfred recalls that he felt very comfortable coming to BC, having grown up around the College where both his mother and father worked and were beloved by the student body. He knew that there were few blacks around. "I often forgot that I was a minority; no one ever treated me badly; they generally accepted me as a student."

He recalls only two incidents where he was suddenly reminded of his minority status. The first was during his freshman year on the football team. With laws against blacks in many of the states that the team traveled to, he often would have to ride to the game with a coach, on game day, instead of going earlier with the team.

"It was also frustrating, because I could never eat with the team or use a bathroom in the same place. They would always have to find me a black restroom and bring my food out to the car."

The second incident involved track. Alfred was preparing for the relays at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington. The day before the relays, he received a call from college president Warren D. Bowman. Dr. Bowman had to break the news that the state of Virginia had just passed a law that any school that received state support could not compete against any school that allowed African Americans to play on their athletic teams. The penalty would mean forfeiting state financial support.

"I had practiced and was prepared to go, and suddenly I could not go. My teammates felt it was ridiculous and decided to not compete either to show their support for me," he remembers.

Anita Bush Helm

Anita Bush Helm, now living in Leesburg, Va., graduated in 1991 with a B.S. degree in psychology. She has since completed an M.A. in international business. She says she enjoys involvement with her church and raising her daughter Albani.

While at Bridgewater, she was actively involved in the radio station, theatre, student government and as a disk jockey for dances. "You name it, I tried it!"

Bridgewater to her was an open and inviting place, but she says she felt that many blacks wanted more students like themselves. She struggled with the fact that since there were so many voids of culturally-rooted activities at



Photo Courtesy of Anita Bush Helm

Bridgewater, many students would find their way to James Madison University for a "stint of ethnic reality." She since has found that BC was more of a haven than she realized; there was less racism and discrimination here than she has encountered anywhere in her working career.

"I think enough of our student body learned to appreciate people more than the people's color. We had a great support network. There were

professors, residence hall directors, deans and administrators who loved and believed in what they were doing. It made a world of difference. Based on my experience with these people's dedication, I think about teaching at Bridgewater College. Alumni will always hold a special place for me. It is a part of my black history," Anita says.

Her only regret – not having the opportunity to fully use her singing talents on campus. Even so, she says that God's help opened other doors and brought her many more friendships as she sang with groups in Harrisonburg.

For many, Anita will be known for her involvement in student government. She was elected Student Senate vice president as a freshman because of a chance incident. Someone (still unknown to her) saw her help a high school student during an embarrassing moment in the cafeteria. The girl had dropped silverware on the floor, and the students in the cafeteria exploded with laughter and applause.

"I placed myself in her position and got up and told her not worry about them, and we picked up the silverware together. That event changed my entire Bridgewater College experience," Anita remembers.

A few days later, aided by the mystery person's recommendation, she was a nominee for Senate vice president. She won and spent the next three years in student government, becoming Bridgewater's first black student body president.

Larenda 'Ren' Ridley

Larenda "Ren" Ridley is a senior Spanish major who plans to graduate in May. Ren enrolled at Bridgewater at the

age of 16 and is leaving an indelible mark on the campus for involvement and leadership in numerous activities.

Ren studied in Spain for a year through Brethren Colleges Abroad (BCA). A dancer before arriving on campus, she has been a cheerleader for both football and basketball for three years and manages to maintain an excellent academic



Photo by Rich S. Vallaster

record. She serves on the Campus Center Program Council, which schedules and hosts the social activities on campus, and is president of the Spanish Club.

She says she has felt right at home at BC and has enjoyed every moment of college life, receiving many opportunities for service and personal growth.

Not that there aren't still problems. Ren says Bridgewater's biggest fault is a lack of respect for minorities and, often, just plain ignorance toward people of other cultures. She suggests that "you have to stop bringing in just black athletes. Many tend to drop out and not make the cut."

Ren is excited to be graduating and hopes that other minority students will have as positive an experience as hers. She hopes to teach Spanish at the secondary level, her way of helping those disadvantaged by language barriers.

Alfred, Anita and Ren agree that things have changed drastically – and are still changing – for blacks at Bridgewater. Alfred points to his election to the Board of Trustees and exclaims: "Me, an African American, on the Board of Trustees. It's amazing!"

In addition to his comment that society will never reach a color-blind state; he says: "Idealistically it is fine, but realistically it is difficult to pocket racial and cultural differences. There will always be a certain group in command, black, white, it doesn't matter; however, society will conform to their norms."

Anita says she feels it is important for African American students to be involved with black alumni, because each can learn from the other. "Whenever I am asked to come back on campus I come, because I want the black students to know that we — the black alumni — exist. We can share fellowship and explore what history of black alumni there is at Bridgewater. If we don't, we will pass on the legacy of silence."

Ren says that the College must continue to increase its standards for all students, including minorities. To attain a better community, the College must raise the bar for those who are here and those who are interested in enrolling. Ren says she also hopes that all students will take advantage of their surroundings and find the success she has.

All three have clear visions of the future, but each wonders what the next step will be. As Alfred said, "We can only learn from the past and look forward to the future at Bridgewater. It is hard to imagine where Bridgewater will be in 20 years. I can only hope that I will have been a part of the change." ■

Bridgewater College - Today

Today at Bridgewater, the push for cultural diversity is heard throughout the campus. Charles Robinson, a senior from Dover, Del., is the second African American student body president, following in Anita's footsteps. The Black Student Congress, under the presidency of Dontai Johnson, a junior from Delmar, Del., brings together all minorities as well as whites to celebrate diversity and provide unity. Its members have seen increased awareness through campus activities.

The campus offers classes in the "Cultures of Africa" and "Racial and Ethnic Studies," both taught by Dr. Mwizenge Tembo, associate professor of sociology and a native of Zambia, Africa. The Personal Development Portfolio focuses on cultural awareness as one of its eight dimensions of education.

Bridgewater College's current enrollment is 1,130, a school record. Of this total, 9.3 percent is international and minority enrollment, a 1 percent increase from 1997-98. This year's freshman class (Class of 2001) includes about 8.7 percent minority students, surpassing the goal of 6 percent.

The ultimate goal, says Brian C. Hildebrand, dean for enrollment management, is a total enrollment of 1,200 with each class having a 10 percent minority component.

Currently, about 4 percent of the student body is African American. ■

Alumni STARS.....

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Stars are self-luminous...They shine by radiant energy generated from within...A very small percentage are visible to the unaided eye...Stars vary greatly in brightness...size...and age.

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Bridgewater College's "alumni stars" fit Britannica's definition. Varying in brightness, size and age, they are self-luminous, but they often are not visible until someone points to them.



"Alumni Stars" is a sequential guide to Bridgewater's distinguished alumni from various fields of endeavor.



LAW Pasco M. Bowman II **Kansas City, Missouri**

Current position: Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

Education: B.A., English, *Bridgewater College*, *summa cum laude*, 1955; J.D., New York University, 1958; LL.M., University of Virginia, 1986

Recognitions: Outstanding Teacher Award, Wake Forest University Law School, 1980; Chancellor's Citation, University of Missouri/Kansas City, 1983; Bridgewater College Distinguished Alumnus, 1984; Honorary Doctor of Laws, Bridgewater College, 1988

Satisfaction from life's work: *"Helping others; working to see that the law is applied consistently and fairly."*

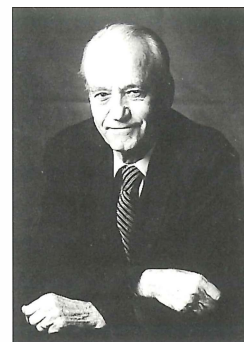
Impact of Bridgewater College: *"B.C. was intellectually stimulating. My B.C. experience confirmed my interest in going to law school."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"Great teachers! Ray Andes, C.E. May, Bob Newcomb, Gustav Enss, Victor Glick and Frances Silliman, to name just a few of the standouts. And, of course, meeting my wife Ruth!"*





SCIENCE Dr. Ralph S. Wolfe **Urbana, Illinois**



Current position: Professor of Microbiology, *Emeritus*, University of Illinois

Education: B.A., Biology, *Bridgewater College*, 1942; M.S., University of Pennsylvania, 1949; Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, 1953

Recognitions: Guggenheim Fellow, 1960-61, 1975-76; Carski Foundation Distinguished Teaching Award, 1971 (American Society for Microbiology [ASM]); Distinguished Alumnus, Bridgewater College, 1978; Elected to National Academy of Sciences (NAS) and to American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1981; Alexander von Humboldt Award, 1983-84; Selman Waksman Award in Microbiology, NAS, 1995; Abbott Lifetime Achievement Award, ASM, 1996; Procter & Gamble Award in Applied and Environmental Microbiology, ASM, 1999

Satisfaction from life's work: *"To see graduate students and postdoctoral students in my laboratory develop into independent investigators and proceed with their own research careers..."*

Impact of Bridgewater College: *"Doc Jopson had a special impact on my career choice by insisting that a knowledge of organic chemistry was essential for biologists."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"Doc Jopson's course in comparative anatomy and intercollegiate debates with my teammate, Lawrance Miller."*



EDUCATION..... Dr. Diane V. Brown **University Park, Pennsylvania**



Current position: Associate Director, Penn State Cooperative Extension/Outreach

Education: B.S., Home Economics Education, *Bridgewater College*, 1966; M.S., Family Management and Community Development, University of Maryland, 1975; D.Ed., Adult Education, Penn State University, 1991

Recognitions: Distinguished Service Award, Pennsylvania and National Association of Extension Home Economists (NAEHE), 1981; Continuing Excellence Award, NAEHE, 1985; Ruby Award, Alpha Omicron Chapter, Epsilon Sigma Phi, 1987; Helen E. Bell Scholarship, 1988; Listed in *Penn State Achieving Women*, 1991-93; Initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta (honorary society of agriculture), 1995; "Blue Ribbon" Leadership Advisory Council, National Association of Extension Family and Consumer Sciences, 1996

Satisfaction from life's work: *"To see positive changes in the lives of both youth and adults...A personal achievement — the first female appointed as an academic administrator in Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences...creating that first crack in the long established 'glass ceiling.'"*

Impact of Bridgewater College: *"My success as an extension home economist came from the solid background in the curriculum...guided by Miss (Ruth) Howe and Miss (Anna Mae) Myers."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"Living, eating and taking most of my classes in one building (Rebecca Hall) — thank heavens for the gym and library!...And, of course, mandatory Chapel."*



BUSINESS The Layman Family Daleville, Virginia

IRA D. LAYMAN (FATHER OF SANDRA & ALLEN)

Current position: Chairman of the Board, R&B Communications; Partner, Layman Brothers Orchards, 1938-

Education: B.A., *Bridgewater College*, 1938

Satisfaction from life's work: *"Seeing the growth and improvements in the field of communication. Serving the public."*

SANDRA SUE LAYMAN BOLTON

Current position: Secretary, Layman Orchards

Education: B.A., Sociology, *Bridgewater College*, 1967

Satisfaction from life's work: *"Working with people; meeting the public."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"Friends I made while at Bridgewater, some of whom I still see several times a year."*

J. ALLEN LAYMAN

Current position: President and Chief Executive Officer, R&B Communications (R&B Telephone, R&B Cable, R&B Telecom, R&B Network and The Beeper Company)

Education: B.A., Business Administration and Economics, *Bridgewater College*, 1974

Recognitions: Director, United States Telephone Association; Chairman, Organization for the Protection and Advancement of Small Telephone Companies (OPASTCO); Past President, Virginia Telephone Industry Association; Director, Botetourt County Public Schools Education Foundation

Satisfaction from life's work: *"I enjoy growing the business. This is a great industry right now. I think it's exciting to get out and compete and sell. We've grown from a little telephone company in little, rural Botetourt County to a business that competes in Roanoke, throughout Virginia and into West Virginia. I'm the eternal optimist: where there are problems, there are opportunities."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"So many memories...that's the beauty of going to a small college, developing lots of friends and personal relationships with students and professors. I loved my classes with (George) Fitchett, (William) Barnett and (Raymond) Baker. I'm convinced that small is beautiful."*



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★ **COMMUNITY SERVICE Naomi M. West**
Bridgewater, Virginia

Current position: Retired teacher; volunteer

Education: B.A., English, *Bridgewater College*, 1929

Recognitions: Valiant Women Award, Church Women United of Harrisonburg-Rockingham, 1986; Outstanding Service Award, Bridgewater College, 1988; Refugee Resettlement Coordinator Citation, Shenandoah District Church of the Brethren, 1989; Humanitarian Service Award (with husband Guy), Bridgewater HealthCare Foundation, 1990; Citizen of the Year, Bridgewater Ruritan Club, 1992; Ripples Society Medal, Bridgewater College, 1993; Philanthropist of the Year, National Society of Fund-Raising Executives, Shenandoah Chapter, 1994

Satisfaction from life's work: *"I find increasing joy when persons whom I touched as a teacher, camp counselor or in ministry with my husband share their hurts and joys with me. What joy!"*

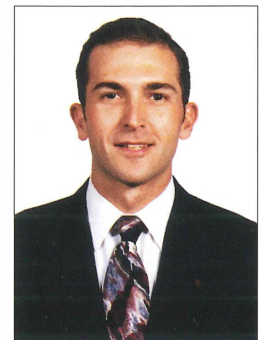
Impact of Bridgewater College: *"Very few positions were open to women in my day. Throughout my school experiences, I had been blessed with good teachers."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"When I was a child, the college students walked the mile and a half to the 1878 church north of town. Many times, the girls would ask permission of my mother to let me sit with them in worship, and many Sundays our dining room table was extended to seat six or eight students. As a student myself, I still had that comfortable feeling."*

★ **ON THE RISE Dr. D. Cory Adamson**
Baltimore, Maryland

Current position: Full-time Masters of Public Health student

Education: B.S., Biology and Chemistry, *Bridgewater College*, *summa cum laude*, 1991; M.D. (1998), Ph.D., Neuroscience, (1998), M.L.A., Arthurian Legend and Dramaturgy (1998), and M.P.H., Biostatistics and Clinical Investigation (1999), all at Johns Hopkins University



Recognitions: Numerous medical scholar awards (Johns Hopkins University's School of Medicine, Morris Shapiro, Adolf Meyer, James L. Claybrook, Joanna F. Reed, JHU School of Public Health) and awards for best research presentation, for research in psychiatric diseases and the David Israel Macht Young Investigator Research Award

Satisfaction from life's work: *"Learning how to translate medical discoveries in the laboratory into clinical therapies at the bedside."*

Impact of Bridgewater College: *"Many faculty, staff members and fellow students gave me undying support and encouragement...I will always be grateful to people who never wavered in their belief that I could achieve my dreams."*

An enduring B.C. memory: *"I drove up from Alabama to interview at Bridgewater and arrived at the local 7-Eleven in the early morning hours with no idea where to go. I called Dean (Brian) Hildebrand, and he rushed out to rescue me...I knew then I had found a pretty incredible place."*

A Study in Perserverance

*Senior Jenn Frack
Earns ODAC Player of
the Year Award*

Like every other college student embarking on her final year of school, Jennifer Frack had big plans this fall.

"My goal this year was to be the best I could be," said Frack, a co-captain of the Bridgewater volleyball team. "I wanted to do whatever I could to help the team win, but I admit that I also wanted to be at the top (of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference) in hitting and kills."

Frack did indeed finish at the top of the conference in both categories, and her .377 hitting percentage was the best in school history. Fueled by Frack's phenomenal season, the Eagles coasted to a 22-3 regular-season record and were the second seed in this year's ODAC tournament. Her effort earned the Nokesville, Va., native the league's Player of the Year award — not a bad accomplishment for someone who almost gave up the sport three years ago.

"As Coach (Mary Frances Heishman) would say, I came in as a 'scrawny' freshman, and I was an outside hitter in high school," Frack explained. "She moved me over to middle blocker, and I couldn't understand (her decision). I was so frustrated."

"Jenn did talk to me during her freshman year about

possibly quitting," recalled Heishman. "I told her to stick with it, because she really was improving. I think she's very glad she stayed with it now."

Frack not only stuck with it, but intensified her efforts by constantly playing in the off-season. She credits Damon Wells, a former collegiate player and a member of Frack's church in Nokesville, with connecting her with area recreational leagues during the summer months and helping her work on her game while at home. "He's been a real support mechanism," she stated.

Frack's hard work paid immediate rewards her sophomore season, when she set a Bridgewater record with 146 blocks and helped the Eagles win the 1996 ODAC tournament. The following year, Frack earned first-team All-ODAC and All-State honors after compiling a team-high 331 kills along with 138 blocks. She finished her career with 892 kills, fourth-best on the BC career list, and 505 blocks.

With the 1998 season now a memory, Frack is focusing the majority of her abundant energy on her future. She will graduate in May with a degree in family and consumer sciences and plans to teach at the elementary school level, possibly in Nokesville, which is a few miles from Manassas. But don't think for a second that she's about to sever ties with the sport which has been such a big part of her life.

"I'd like to teach

elementary school and coach volleyball," she said. "At home, there's an elementary school two doors down from my house, and the high school is two doors up, so I'd really like to be there." Frack also plans on continuing to play in the recreation leagues around Nokesville.

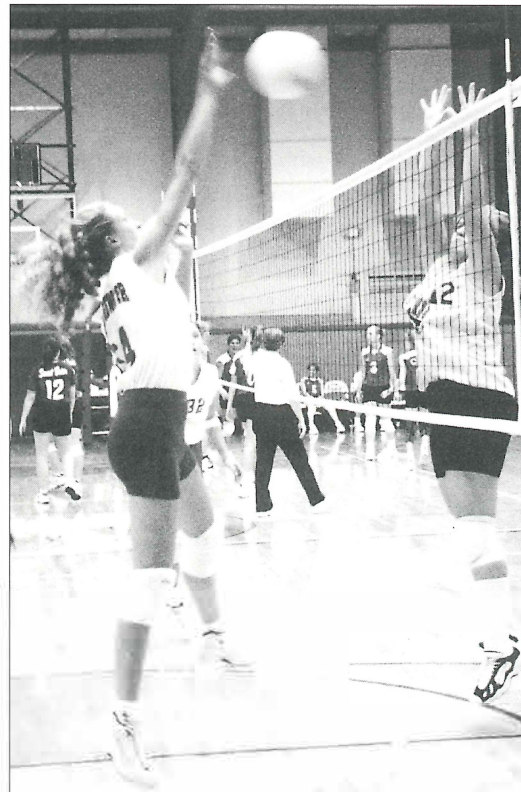
But for now, Frack is enjoying her time as a student and the thrill of being chosen the ODAC's best player; the realization that she has played her last match as an Eagle hasn't quite sunk in yet.

"This season was so much fun, it never hit me that it was the last one," she said. "I don't think it will hit me until next year."

— Scott Garbarini



Jenn Frack, ODAC Volleyball
Player of the Year



Jenn Frack in
action during
the BC
Invitational

Photos by Rich S. Vallaster

'98 Fall Season Wrap-Up

With individual and team records set in several sports, as well as a few heart-breaking defeats, the 1998 Bridgewater fall athletic season was one of highs and lows. This year's campaign may best be remembered for producing a pair of All-Americans in two sports and an Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC) Player of the Year in another, giving Eagle fans a warm feeling heading into the winter months.

The BC **VOLLEYBALL** team came through with another successful season under head coach Mary Frances Heishman. Paced by 1998 ODAC Player of the Year Jennifer Frack, the Eagles compiled a 23-4 overall record, marking the 13th time

in 14 seasons that the team reached the 20-win plateau. Frack led the conference in both kills (3.63 per game) and hitting percentage (.377) while establishing a Bridgewater hitting record. Junior setter Amy Weaver, who topped the conference with a school-record 851 assists, joined Frack on the first-team All-ODAC squad. Senior Kelli O'Neil also proved herself as one of the league's top outside hitters by ranking among the ODAC's best in kills and hitting percentage en route to second-team all-Conference honors.

The Bridgewater **FOOTBALL** team's 0-10 season mark contrasted sharply with that of volleyball, but the fact that the Eagles had eight players recognized on the All-ODAC squad proves that this team was anything but uncompetitive. BC lost five games by eight points or less and nearly snapped the nation's longest home win streak in a 14-13 loss at league-rival Emory & Henry in September.

The highlight of the Eagles' season was the performance of placekicker Michael Padgett, who shattered school and conference records with 13 field goals this fall. The senior from Madison Heights, Va., stood in a second place tie in Division III nationally in field goals made per game; he also booted three field goals from beyond 50 yards. Padgett's performance earned him a spot on the Burger King Division III Coaches' All-America team and an appearance in the Aztec

Bowl in Monterrey, Mexico as part of a Division III group of all-stars.

While Padgett was the lone BC representative on this year's All-ODAC first team, three other Eagles were named to the second-team unit: junior fullback Earl Payton, who finished second on the team with 391 yards rushing; senior offensive guard Zach Pring, the anchor of a BC line which helped the Eagles finish second in the ODAC in rushing yards; and sophomore linebacker Spencer Nice, the team's second-leading tackler. In addition, senior offensive guard Ezra Mizer, junior wide receiver Robert Ziegenfuss, sophomore defensive back Luis DeJesus and freshman linebacker C.J. Smart were all selected to the honorable mention All-ODAC squad.

The Eagles' **FIELD HOCKEY** team posted an 11-8 overall record, the program's most wins since 1980, and made a second straight trip to the semifinals of the ODAC tournament. Junior Holly Ware was selected to the Division III South Region All-America team after enjoying another record-breaking season for the Eagles in 1998. Ware, who set a school record with 27 goals in 1997, scored 28 times this fall, becoming BC's all-time leader with 72 career goals. Seniors Amber Cropper and Katie Wilder also played major roles in the Eagles' success and were named to the All-ODAC second team.

In **SOCCER**, the Eagles enjoyed their greatest season to

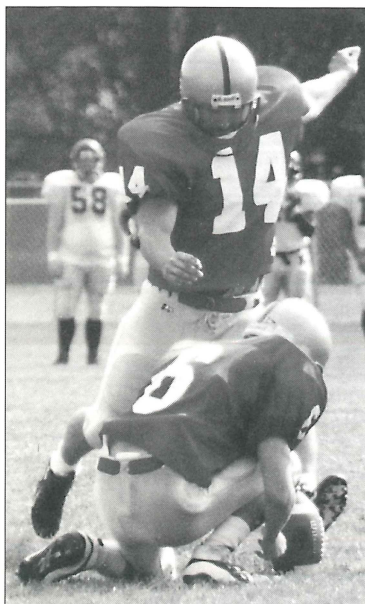
date, with BC's 6-10 overall record matching the team's entire win total for the previous two seasons. Although a heart-breaking double-overtime loss to Emory & Henry in the season finale cost BC its first appearance in the ODAC tournament, head coach Dan Ensley's club made giant strides in 1998, setting team records for wins (6), consecutive wins (3) and shutouts (3) in a single season. Junior forward Mike Colavito led the team in scoring for the second straight year, earning honorable mention All-ODAC honors, and his six assists also set a school record.

Other teams which tasted success were the BC men's and women's **CROSS-COUNTRY** units, which each placed third in this year's ODAC championships. The women's team finish was the program's best-ever at the championship meet, while the men's team gave its best performance at the ODACs since 1980. Freshmen Mike Mathias, Heidi Fike and Dayna Shiflet, and sophomores Mike Kline and Kim Wyrick placed among the top 15 harriers in the conference meet and were chosen to the All-ODAC second team.

Bridgewater **GOLF** team head coach Lamar Neal retired after 24 seasons following the conclusion of the Eagles' fall season. Sophomore Tim Clark gave Coach Neal a nice sendoff in his final collegiate coaching event, placing sixth individually out of 70 entrants at the Ferrum Invitational in October. Clark carded a score of 74-76—150 over the two-day tournament.

— Scott Garbarini

Photo by Rich S. Vallaster



Record-setting placekicker Michael Padgett takes aim for a field goal in an early season game against Ferrum.

BASEBALL

FEBRUARY

27	Savannah College of Art & Design, at Atlanta, Ga.	10 a.m.
28	Emory, at Atlanta, Ga.	2 p.m.
28	Savannah College of Art & Design, at Atlanta, Ga.	10 a.m.

MARCH

1	Oglethorpe, at Atlanta, Ga.	3 p.m.
2	Emory, at Atlanta, Ga.	3 p.m.
4	Oglethorpe, at Atlanta, Ga.	3 p.m.
6	GENEVA (2)	1 P.M.
7	SHEPHERD	2 P.M.
13	Guilford* (2)	1 p.m.
16	Mary Washington	3 p.m.
17	Washington & Lee*	3 p.m.
20	EMORY & HENRY* (2)	1 P.M.
21	NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN	2 P.M.
23	Shenandoah	3 p.m.
24	CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT	3 P.M.
26	Averett	3 p.m.
27	Hampden-Sydney* (2)	Noon
31	Greensboro	3 p.m.

APRIL

1	WILLIAMS	3 P.M.
3	Lynchburg* (2)	1 p.m.
6	MARY WASHINGTON	3 P.M.
7	Eastern Mennonite*	3 p.m.
10	RANDOLPH-MACON* (2)	1 P.M.
13	WASHINGTON & LEE*	3 P.M.
14	EASTERN MENNONITE*	3 P.M.
17	VIRGINIA WESLEYAN* (2)	1 P.M.
20	Ferrum, at Salem, Va.	TBA

24-25	BRIDGEWATER INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT	
24	Methodist vs. Maryville at BC	11 a.m.
	Bridgewater vs. Methodist at BC	3 p.m.
	Maryville vs. Bridgewater at Harrisonburg	7:30 p.m.
25	Maryville vs. Methodist at BC	10 a.m.
	Bridgewater vs. Maryville at BC	1:30 p.m.
	Methodist vs. Bridgewater at Harrisonburg	5 p.m.

APRIL 30 - MAY 2

ODAC Tournament, City Stadium, at Lynchburg, Va. TBA

TENNIS

MEN'S

MARCH

10	Hampden-Sydney*	3 p.m.
14	NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN	2 P.M.
17	Lynchburg*	3 p.m.
19	VIRGINIA WESLEYAN*	3 P.M.
20	CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT	2:30 P.M.
21	GREENSBORO	NOON
	(MAY BE HELD AT TURNER ASHBY HIGH SCHOOL)	
30	Guilford*	3 p.m.

APRIL

1	SHEPHERD	3 P.M.
6	SHENANDOAH	3 P.M.
8	Eastern Mennonite*	3 p.m.
10	Emory & Henry*	1 p.m.
12	Roanoke*	4 p.m.
14	FERRUM	3 P.M.
16	RANDOLPH-MACON*	3 P.M.
22-24	ODAC Tournament, at W&L	

WOMEN'S

MARCH

10	SWEET BRIAR*	4 P.M.
12	FERRUM	3 P.M.
16	RANDOLPH-MACON*	3 P.M.
17	MARY BALDWIN	3 P.M.
20	GUILFORD*	11 A.M.
21	GREENSBORO	2 P.M.
23	LYNCHBURG*	3 P.M.
26	EMORY & HENRY*	3 P.M.
30	Washington & Lee*	3:30 p.m.
31	Eastern Mennonite*	3 p.m.

APRIL

6	Roanoke*	3 p.m.
8	Randolph-Macon Woman's*	3 p.m.
9	SHENANDOAH	3 P.M.
11	CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT	1 P.M.
14	Hollins*	3 p.m.
17	Virginia Wesleyan*	3 p.m.
23-25	ODAC Tournament, at Roanoke	TBA

BOC

Spring Sports Schedules

GOLF

MARCH

15 & 16	Ferrum Spring Invitational Tournament at Water's Edge, Water's Front
20 & 21	Concord College Spring Invitational at Pipestem Resort
24	Washington & Lee ODAC Round Robin at Lexington

APRIL

1	Hampden-Sydney ODAC Round Robin at Farmville
10 & 11	Virginia State Intercollegiate Tournament at The Wintergreen, Stony Creek
15	Virginia Wesleyan ODAC Invitational at Cypress Point Country Club
16	Newport News Shipbuilders' Tournament at Fords Colony Country Club
26 & 27	ODAC Tournament at River Ridge Country Club, Raleigh, NC

LACROSSE

FEBRUARY

21	Randolph-Macon* (play day)	TBA
25	MARY BALDWIN (scrimmage)	TBA

MARCH

8	KEENE	4 P.M.
9	NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE (scrimmage)	TBA
11	Washington & Lee*	4 p.m.
16	SHENANDOAH	4 P.M.
20	VIRGINIA WESLEYAN*	11 A.M.
23	SWEET BRIAR*	4:30 P.M.
24	LONGWOOD	4 P.M.
27	FERRUM	1 P.M.
30	LYNCHBURG*	4 P.M.

APRIL

1	Hollins*	4:30 p.m.
6	Roanoke*	4 p.m.
9	Guilford*	4 p.m.
10	Greensboro	11 a.m.
16	Marymount	4 p.m.
21	First Round ODAC, (Higher Seed)	TBA
24-25	ODAC Semi-Finals/Finals	TBA

SOFTBALL

FEBRUARY

28	University of North Carolina, at Pembroke, N.C.	2:30 p.m.
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MARCH

1	Lake Superior State, at Laurinburg, N.C.	2 p.m.
4	Coastal Carolina (scrimmage), at Conway, S.C.	2 p.m.
5	Methodist College Tournament, at Fayetteville, N.C.	
	BC vs. Chowan	2:15 p.m.
	BC vs. Gwynedd Mercy	7:30 p.m.
	BC vs. Averett	9:15 p.m.
6	Methodist College Tournament Consolation and Championship	TBA
10	Randolph Macon*	2:30 p.m.
11	SHEPHERD	2:30 P.M.
16	Randolph Macon Woman's*	3 p.m.
18	EASTERN MENNONITE*	2:30 P.M.
20	Virginia Wesleyan*	2 p.m.
24	Shenandoah	2:30 p.m.
27	Roanoke Tournament, at Salem, Va.	
	BC vs. University of Charleston	9 a.m.
	BC vs. Savannah College of Art & Design	10:45 a.m.
	BC vs. Chowan	3:45 p.m.
28	Roanoke Tournament, at Salem, Va.	
	BC vs. Roanoke	9 a.m.
	BC vs. Rowan	10:45 a.m.
	Championship/Runner-Up Consolation	3 p.m.
30	LYNCHBURG*	2:30 P.M.

APRIL

6	MARY WASHINGTON	3 P.M.
8	Eastern Mennonite*	3 p.m.
10	EMORY & HENRY*	1 P.M.
11	METHODIST	2 P.M.
13	ROANOKE*	3 P.M.
17	SOUTHERN VIRGINIA	1 P.M.
24-25	ODAC Tournament, at Salem, Va.	TBA

All games doubleheaders except tournament games.

TRACK & FIELD

(I)= Indoor Meet; (O) = Outdoor Meet

JANUARY

23	Lebanon Valley Invitational (I)
29-30	East Tennessee State Invitational (I)

FEBRUARY

6	VMI Winter Relays (I)
19	Lynchburg Invitational (I)
27	ODAC Indoor Championships at VMI

MARCH

6	Last Chance Qualifying Meet (I)
12-13	NCAA Division III Indoor Track Championships at Ohio Northern
13	Washington & Lee Invitational (O)
20	Roanoke Invitational (O)
24	EASTERN MENNONITE, COLUMBIA UNION (O)
27	BRIDGEWATER INVITATIONAL (O)

APRIL

2-3	Duke Invitational (O)
10	Lynchburg Invitational (O)
17	Eastern Mennonite Invitational (O)
24	ODAC Outdoor Championships, at W&L

MAY

#8	GMU Invitational (O)
#14	Liberty University Last Chance Meet (O)
#15	JMU Last Chance Qualifying Meet (O)
#20-22	NCAA Division III Outdoor Championships at Baldwin Wallace
#	Limited Participation

* ODAC Game
Home Games in **BOLD CAPS**

Florida Alums Greet Eagles on the Road

When the men's basketball team traveled to Lake Wales, Fla., in December to play Warner Southern College, nearly 30 Florida alumni were there cheering them on. Prior to the game, the alumni gathered for a reception at a local restaurant.

One student, Matt Stevens, a freshman guard for the Eagles, had familiar faces in the crowd for support. His grandparents, Mel Myers, '52, and his wife, Betty Lou, '53, who are wintering in Sebring Fla., were on hand to support their grandson and his teammates. Mr. Myers, who coached the Eagles for 23 years, retired in 1985 as BC's all-time winningest men's basketball coach with 236 career wins. ■

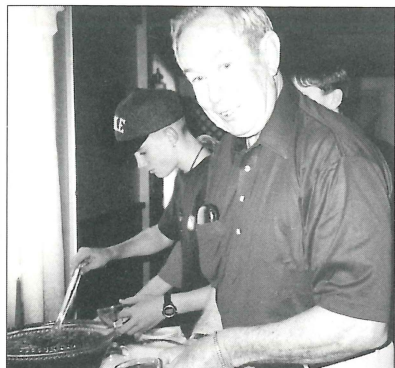


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Mel Myers, '52, samples the refreshments at the reception before watching the Eagles take on Warner Southern College.

Eagles at the O's

Don't miss your chance to join fellow alumni in Orioles Park at Camden Yards on Sat., July 24. The picnic in the Upper Deck Area begins at 2:35 p.m., followed by the Orioles vs. Anaheim Angels at 4:05 (time subject to change). Cost for picnic and game ticket is \$27.50 per person.

3rd Annual Picnic in the Park at Camden Yards

Baltimore Orioles vs. the Anaheim Angels

Please contact the Alumni Office at (540) 828-5451 for more information, or send a check (payable to Bridgewater College) to Alumni Office, Bridgewater College, Box 33, Bridgewater, VA 22812-1599. Please reply by May 31. Tickets will be mailed prior to the game. ■

Chapter News

Frederick/Carroll County, Md.

Chapter Meeting, March 20, 1999 at 6 p.m.; Frederick Church of the Brethren. Everyone welcome

Old Yearbooks For Sale!

Have you lost your college yearbook? Alexander Mack Memorial Library has old yearbooks for sale.

The years '66, '68, '69, '72, '79, '81, '83-'87, '90, '92-'96 are available. These yearbooks are \$2 each, while supplies last. Several 1997 yearbooks are available for \$5 each. 1997 graduates who have not received yearbooks may claim their copies at no charge. Stop by the library, or contact Jennifer Keach at (540) 828-5740 or jkeach@bridgewater.edu. ■

Soccer Alums vs. Varsity

During Parents' Weekend 1998, former members of the BC soccer team (*to left in photo*) took on the current varsity (*in white shirts, to right in photo*). The varsity beat the alumni by a score of 3 - 2 in the contest. **Row 1:** Mark Shipp, '98, Ryan Crawley, '98, Andy Rhodes, '96, Jupiter Sacadura, '99, Brent Hull, '93, Sean Snyder, '00, George Julias, '45, Matt Barnes, '99, Jonathan McClure, '01, Toni Alatorre, '01, Eric Mauck, '01, Michael Colavito, '00, Nick Forster, '00; **Row 2:** Assistant Coach Donnie Fulk, Sean Polson, '95, Esteban Martinez, '98, Dale Curtis, '99, Darrel Baker, '96, Greg Pittman, '00, Bobby Rohrer, '00, Craig Landes, '94, Nate Greiner, '97, Wayne Hydorn, '01, Tony Joynes, '02, Bill Caton, '02, Eric Powell, '01, Scott Smith, '02, Coach Dan Ensley; **Row 3:** Jason Poole, '00, Steve Minnick, '97, Sterling Turner, '98, Andrew Davis, '96, Jay Yutzy, '94, Brad Edwards, '99, Scott Edwards, '97, Chris Hild, '99, Phil Roper, '01, Brad Hawkins, '01, Brian Anderson, '00, John Kucharski, '02, Alfred Mbatia, '00, Kris Rusinko, '01



Photo by Tom McClure

Grave Business

John Stone's job may sound depressing, but he insists it causes very little grief.

The 1995 graduate of BC's art department is a graphic artist for Heritage Memorials Inc. in Harrisonburg, where he designs custom tombstones. John, 25, has worked with the company since April 1996 and says he loves his job.

"It's a way I can do art and get paid for it," he says. "I've been drawing since I was little—even before I could write. And there are a lot of interesting things about this [line of work] that few people would know. In a strange way, it's exciting."

Using design software, John draws on the computer the image requested by the family of the departed. Sometimes customers will request commonly-used pictures that are already in his files. He lays out the design on the computer and prints out a rubber stencil, which will be placed on the stone for sandblasting.

People tend to select designs that remind them of their loved one, John explains. Some of the more unusual designs he has drawn include a cheeseburger, for a restaurant owner; a beer can pouring out beer; the Harley-Davidson logo; and a horse-drawn

hearse, for a funeral director. He once designed a tombstone for two dogs (one of them hasn't died yet). Most recently, John drew NASCAR racer Ward Burton's car for a headstone.

What causes him the most grief on the job? Trying to fit long names or long Bible passages on a small headstone, he says. But John says he has the Y2K problem solved for himself. When he creates a headstone that includes a place for a spouse or loved one who is still living, he designs it to fit the longest possible date: June 20, 2000. That ensures that adding a date to the headstone will not cause difficulty for the sandblaster.

Ironically, a death in John's family led him to the job at Heritage Memorials. After his grandfather passed away, his mother, Cherrill Kline Stone, '66, went into the Harrisonburg office to select a headstone for the grave. She asked the owner if the office needed any help, "because she was always looking for a job for me at the time," John quips. As luck would have it, the tombstone artist had just turned in his two weeks' notice that day. John interviewed for the position

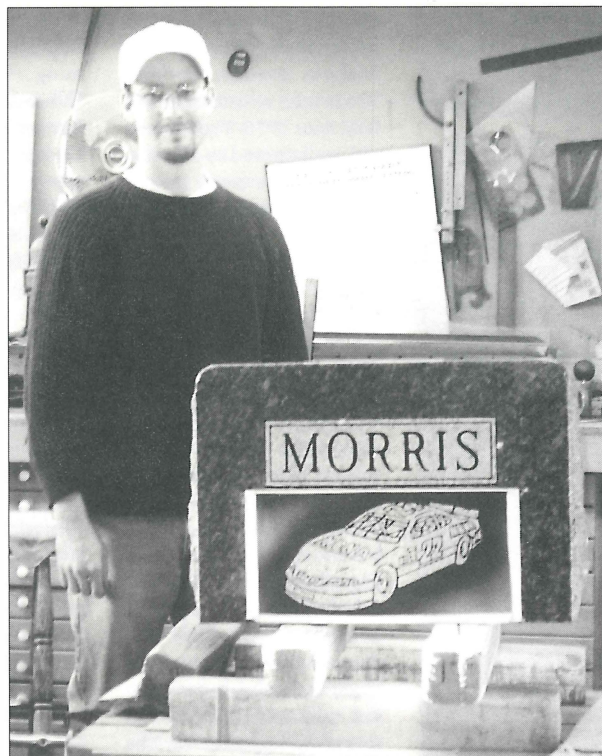


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and was hired on the spot.

Perhaps it's fitting for a Stone to design tombstones, and maybe there is truth in the Shakespearean query, "What's in a name?" John notes that he has a few colleagues in the Shenandoah Valley with appropriate names for this business, including Grimm and Toombs.

John continues to draw and paint in his free time. When asked what he may want on his tombstone someday, he replies, "I'm leaning toward nothing." But then after a little thought, he adds, "Or maybe I'll get a row of tombstones on my tombstone."

— Karen Doss

Director of Alumni Relations

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CLASS NOTES

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Charles W. Wampler Jr. of Harrisonburg retired in October as chairman of the board of directors for WLR Foods Inc., a position he had held since 1976. The 82-year-old was honored by the company with the newly created title, chairman emeritus.

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Upon retiring from the Baptist ministry on Oct. 31, the **Rev. Thomas J. Goldston Jr.** and his wife Garnet have moved from Kingwood, W.Va., to Athens, W.Va. Thomas served Southern and American Baptist churches for 41 years.

Dr. Chester Z. Keller of Ellensburg, Wash., has completed six years as a trustee of the Washington Commission for the Humanities, the state arm of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

William D. "Bill" Wampler of Harrisonburg was elected in October as chairman of the board of directors for WLR Foods Inc. He also is one of seven new members named to the Virginia 4-H board of trustees.

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Dr. Carl McDaniels retired June 30 as program area leader in counselor education at Virginia Tech, a position he held for 20 years. From 1979-98, Carl created and directed the Virginia Career Information Delivery System-Virginia VIEW, a multimedia system which serves Virginia in over 1,000 locations. He continues on a part-time consulting basis as co-director of Virginia VIEW. Carl and his wife, the former **Ann Eller**, also '51, live in Blacksburg, Va. Ann is a retired music teacher.

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Dr. Ray Bussard has been selected for induction into the International Swimming Hall of Fame as an "honor coach" in May 1999. Ray coached swimming at the University of Tennessee, where he led the team to an NCAA title in 1978. He also was head coach of the 1984 U.S. Olympic swim team in Los Angeles. He and his wife Ruth recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with over 170 friends during a weekend in Hot Springs, Va., where the couple lives.

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Gerald Mills has retired after 36½ years with Texaco Inc. He will continue to represent Texaco and other clients before the Texas legislature. Jerry and his wife Carole live on Lake Travis in Austin, Texas.

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Judy Nolen Heneberger received the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's 1998 Music Education Award. The award was given in recognition of her contributions to the music education students in Fairfax County Public Schools. As music supervisor, Judy developed links between the Fairfax Symphony and the schools for many years and served as an advisor to the symphony's education committee. She recently retired after 27 years in music education in Fairfax County. Judy and her husband **Ed**, '63, are enjoying retirement and preparing to relocate to the Bridgewater area.

Henry H. "Hart" Rist III was among the top real estate producers honored by ERA Franchise Systems Inc. at its "The Best of the Best" conference in Las Vegas. Since moving to Myrtle Beach,



**Homecoming '98
'48, '49, & '50 Football Team**

Row 1: Larry Roller, '52, Coach Dan Geiser, A. C. Hankla, '50, Ray Bussard, '54, Mel "Shifty" Myers, '52; **Row 2:** Sam Gouldthorpe, '54, Robert Reichard '52, Lloyd Wakeman, '53, Worthy Pegram, '50, Carl McDaniels, '51; **Row 3:** Bill Naylor, '52, Bobby Gooden, '50, Harold Armstrong, '51, Ed Callahan, '51, Neil Corbett, '51, Shirley Kiger, '50

S.C., 15 years ago, Hart, director of sales with Crossmann Communities, has been consistently recognized as a top real estate producer in the Grand Strand

area. He also serves as a minister-in-residence with St. Paul's United Methodist Church at Litchfield-By-The-Sea. Hart and his wife Fonda operate A Wedding to Re-

ALUMNI WEEKEND 1999

Alumni Weekend 1999, will be held
April 30 & May 1
on the Bridgewater College campus.

**Reunion Classes – '59, '54,
'49, '44, '39, '34, '29**

All alumni are invited. Special celebrations for reunion classes are planned, including a Friday night banquet for the Ripples induction class – the Class of 1949. Watch your mail for more information and make your plans now to attend!

April 30 & May 1

member, which specializes in outdoor theme weddings for those wishing a religious wedding at the beach.

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Edward M. Young, managing partner of the certified public accounting firm of Young, Nicholas, Mills & Co., has become a member of the advisory board for the Harrisonburg location of Second Bank & Trust.

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Hallie Dinkel was re-elected in November to his second two-year term as mayor of Bridgewater.

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Mensel D. Dean Jr. received the Business Person of the Year award for 1998 presented by the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber of Commerce. Owner and sole partner of McGladrey & Pullen, L.L.P., the eighth largest certified public account-

ing and consulting firm in the U.S., Mensel has extensive auditing and consulting experience. He also is active in the community, serving on the board of directors of Blue Ridge Community College Foundation, Bridgewater Retirement Community and Friendship Industries.

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Cheryl Lackey Fairchilds of Bridgewater received the Clara Barton Volunteer Leadership Award presented by the Harrisonburg-Rockingham County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Cheryl is a disaster services volunteer and a former chair of the local chapter.

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Michael Trout completed four years as principal of Linganore High School and currently is principal of Governor Thomas Johnson High — the school where he began his teaching career 30 years ago. Mike will plan and manage a \$17 million renovation of the school over the next four years. He and his

wife, the former **Sandra Derr, '68**, live in Frederick, Md.

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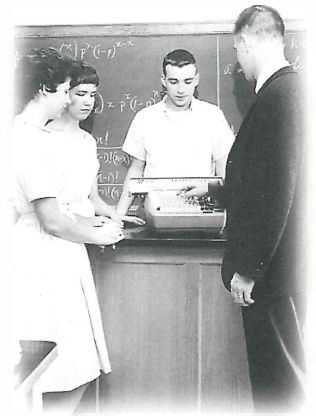
After graduating from BC, **Betty Ward Bourne** received a master's degree in teaching in the elementary school from the University of Virginia in 1974. During the '70s, she taught second and third grade at Red Hill Elementary School in Albemarle County. From 1981-96, Betty was employed at Virginia Power's North Anna plant in Mineral, Va., where she advanced from administrative assistant to senior budget analyst. She currently is a client services and sales assistant for four financial advisors at Prudential Securities in Charlottesville, Va., where she lives with her husband Scott.

In December, **Ted Flory** resigned as director of the C.E. Shull Information Technology Center at Bridgewater College and accepted a position as senior software designer with Datatel in Fairfax, Va. In this position, which allows him to work primarily

from his home in Bridgewater, Ted will be working with the core development team on the merger of Datatel's Colleague and Benefactor products into one product. Datatel provides administrative software for over 450 colleges and universities, including Bridgewater, in the U.S., Canada and abroad. In November, Ted was re-elected to the Bridgewater Town Council for a four-year term. He was appointed to the council in 1996.

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Dr. Susan Hignite Barr of Fairfield, Va., became assistant dean of faculty at Virginia Military Institute in August and was promoted to colonel. She had been acting assistant dean since August 1997. Susan earned her Ph.D. in higher education administration from the University of Virginia. She has served as development coordinator at UVA; as assistant to the president, registrar and instructor at Southern Virginia College; and as academic dean and interim head of school at Stuart Hall in Staunton, Va.



Artistic Alums

Every year Good Printers Inc. in Bridgewater produces a calendar for its patrons and friends. The 1999 calendar features artwork from "The Village Artists" — residents, employees and affiliates of the Bridgewater Retirement Community. Among the featured artists are four BC alumnae: **Rebecca V. Myers, '30**; **Vera Mitchell Harouff, '37**; **Margaret Seese Dean, '43**; and **Lavenia "Lev" Aldridge Norford, '70**.



Alumnae from the Class of '73 (left to right) Laura Connell Wurzer, Beth Hershner, Heidi Stratton, Joni Walton Truscott and Christine Chesneau, held the first annual "Class of '73 Big Chill Weekend" in California, Md. Other alumnae allowed to "crash" the party were Barb Pitman, '75, and Lynne Nicholas Still, '74.

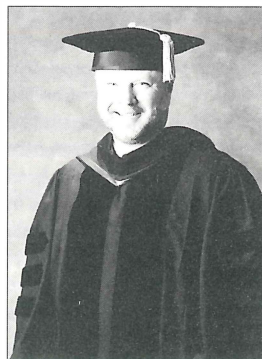


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Dr. Richard Demeri recently received his doctorate in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University. He is principal at Woodlawn Elementary School in Sebring, Fla., where he lives with his wife, the former **Shirley Thomas, '75**, and two sons, Tom and Eric.

Dr. Wallace B. Landes Jr. received a Doctor of Ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in May 1998. He is senior pastor of the Palmyra (Pa.) Church of the Brethren and is president of the Brethren Ministers' Association. He is past chair of the Pennsylvania State Pastors' Conference. Wally and his wife Bonnie have two children, Matt, 15, and Kendra, 12.



The Rev. Wallace B. Landes Jr., '74

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David G. Melton became superintendent of Louisa County, Va., public schools on July 1. Previously, David served six years as associate superintendent of Manassas Park city schools. He earned a master's of education degree in school administration from James Madison University and is working on his doctorate in educational administration.

David and his wife Bonnie live in Louisa County with their son Zack.

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Diane Stepp Isaac is an appeals officer with the Central Intelligence Agency. Since graduating from George Mason University, she has done volunteer work with persons with disabilities and Fairfax County Foster Care. Diane shares her Fairfax, Va., home with her husband Doug, daughter Marisa, 16, a calico cat and a BIG dog.

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Debra J. Hollyday Link received her master of education degree from James Madison University in December 1997. She teaches students with learning disabilities at Waterman Elementary School in Harrisonburg.

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The Rev. Gerald Crouse and his wife, the Rev. Rebecca Baile Crouse, began on Jan. 1 a shared position as mission coordinators for the Church of the Brethren in the Dominican Republic. Since 1988, Jerry and Rebecca have team-pastored the Antioch Church of the Brethren in Rocky Mount, Va. Both have previous overseas experience through Brethren Volunteer Service, internships and workcamps. In September, Jerry finished third out of 124 runners who competed in the inaugural Greater Rocky Mount Downtown Dash 5-kilometer run, in a time of 17 minutes, 20 seconds.

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Kristin E. Whitehurst has been promoted to director of public relations at Elmhurst (Ill.) College. Previously, Kristin served as edi-



Homecoming '98 Class of 1973

Row 1: Nina Buchanan Peters, Dana Smith Nolley, Shelley Glick Lingamfelter, Mary Bert Hawkins, Maggie Fleming Smallwood; **Row 2:** Eleanor Warren Reed, Lexie Eubanks Jones, Neva Clayton, Jeffery Hanes; **Row 3:** Grover Collins, Brent Holl, Dave Trout, Doug Smith, Morris Pibbs, Roy Andes



Homecoming '98 Class of 1978

Row 1: Greg Harper, Debra Hollyday Link, Sandra Mason Cable, Florence F. Fraser, Kathy Moss Webb, Patsy Rohrer Wagner, Kathy Gould Johnson, Jeff Johnson, '79; **Row 2:** Myra Fravel Whitener, Frances Webb Ford, Bonnie Kline Cheshire, Brooke Schini, Debra Moyer Alle; **Row 3:** Mary Beth Baughman Lambert, Cathy Simmons Huffman, Mary Jo Flory-Steury, Joy Fisher Flickinger, Martha Teets Reish; **Row 4:** Bruce Hollenberg, Allen Flora, Leighanne Parkins Franklin, David Wood, Linda Welty Wood, Tod Hildebrand



Homecoming '98 Class of 1983

Row 1: Nancy Tharpe Long, Kelly Mason Kophazi, Sharon Cobb Hutchison, Nancy L. Gorton, Linda Lipscomb Tax, Sarah Draper Petermann, Melodie Morris White; **Row 2:** Kim Kirkwood, Lisa Hollinger Bedenbaugh, LuCinda Moyer Bradley, Catherine Harlow Best, Deborah Payne Western, Debbie Hylton Brubaker; **Row 3:** Mary Helen Ellis Tucker, Debbie Layman Will; **Row 4:** David Will, Sam Tharpe, Curt Dudley, Glendon Gill



Homecoming, '98 Class of 1988

Row 1: Kay Leith, Lora Burris Caperton, Dawn Garnand Geesaman, Mary Beth Thompson Foltz, Susan Hook, Wendy Wade Curry, Carolyn Magee Sutton, Marci Inman Strosnider, Jason Strosnider; **Row 2:** Wanda Simmons Ellinger, Kai Danisavage, Mary White Helmick, Elonda Conner Clark, Lisa Mills Borgwardt, Alan Borgwardt; **Row 3:** Kathy Dellinger, Lavonne Bowman Hamer, Donna Good Tutwiler, Lora Lanzilotti Smith, Leslie Whitley Garber, John S. Garber; **Row 4:** Mark Griffin, Ramsey Yeatts, Ron Ramsey, David Rainard

tor of the *Elmhurst College Magazine* for a number of years.

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Terry A. Badwak has been married for 14 years to his wife, Wendy, and they have three daughters, Nicole, 12, Amy, 10, and Katelyn, 6. Terry has been employed by Delta Chemical Corp. for the past 10 years and currently oversees Delta's line of water and wastewater treatment chemicals. The family lives in Pasadena, Md.

Capt. Edward Barnett is the battalion chaplain of the 57th Signal Battalion at Fort Hood, Texas. Eddie was ordained a United Methodist minister in 1991 and earned a master of divinity degree from Duke University's Divinity School in 1992. He served the civilian church from 1991-97 before entering active duty as a U.S. Army chaplain. He and his wife Mindy have a 4-year-old son, Brian.

Carol Moore Cline of Broadway, Va., is a production control assistant for R. R. Donnelley & Sons in Harrisonburg.

Ronald C. Abernathy of Harrisonburg became principal of Kate Collins Middle School in Waynesboro, Va., in August. During the past year, he was student activities director at Waynesboro High School. Ron earned a master's degree in administration and supervision from James Madison University.

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William Carter has joined the management staff at Merillat in Mt. Jackson, Va., as assistant materials manager. Most recently, Bill was a production manage-

ment and statistics instructor, as well as study coordinator with James Madison University's College of Integrated Sciences and Technology. He has a master's degree in business administration from JMU.

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Shawn Overstreet Coleman is a physical therapist in geriatric rehabilitation in Hanover, Pa. In July, her husband, Brian, bought a dental practice in Gettysburg, Pa., where they live with their two sons, Thomas Joseph, 5, and Daniel Séamus, 1.

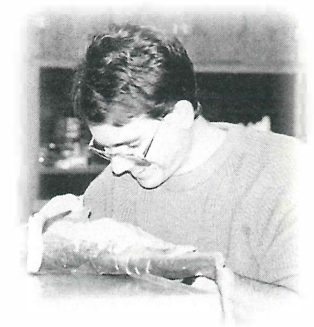
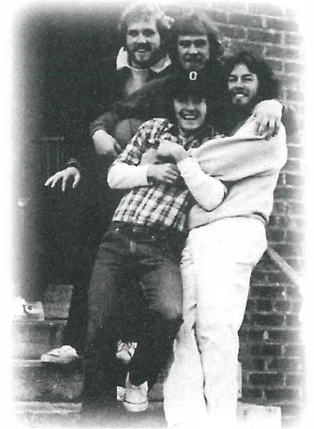
C. Alan Cramer has joined First Citizens Bank in Harrisonburg as a finance services representative.

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Jim DeLucas has completed his 10th year as a senior project manager for Nielsen Builders Inc. in Harrisonburg, where he specializes in long-term healthcare projects. Last year, he was named to the company's board of directors. He also recently completed a term as president of the Shenandoah Valley Management Association. His wife, the former **Vaniene Hudgins**, also '88, recently reached the \$2 million mark in sales for Independent Lighting Corp., based in Virginia Beach, Va. During her nine years with Independent Lighting, Vaniene has earned Rookie of the Year (1990) and Top Sales Producer (1992) honors. She also is an aerobics instructor for Nautilus in Harrisonburg, where Jim and Vaniene live with their 3-year-old son, Cole.

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Glenn Strawderman was promoted to commercial outside salesman at Valley



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Blox in May. In July, his wife, the former **Jennifer Cullers**, also '90, received her MBA degree from James Madison University and is a financial analyst with Rocco Inc. Last February, Glenn and Jennifer moved into their newly-built home in Battlefield Estates in Harrisonburg.

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Lara Leahman Hoke, human resource supervisor at R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co. in Harrisonburg, was one of five loaned executives who donated time to the United Way of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County.

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In November, **Laura Simpson Evick**, who works for Clark & Bradshaw, P.C., and **Stacy Shiflet**, '96, a staff accountant at McGladrey & Pullen, L.L.P., completed the 1998 Community Leadership Program sponsored by the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber of Commerce. The 10-week program includes rope climbing, team building, meetings, research, role playing, attending city and county government meetings and a final presentation.

After four years as a medical technologist, **Patricia L. Fishback** joined the U.S. Army in July 1997 and has completed training as a linguist in the Military Intelligence Corps. She began her first mission in December 1998 at the Howard Air Force Base in Panama.

Douglas A. Zeis is head football coach at Chincoteague (Va.) High School. Last year, Doug coached the wrestling team.

Dr. Tongtong Zhang defended her doctoral disser-

tation, "New Approaches for Analyzing Biological Sequences," on Dec. 14, and received her Ph.D. in computer science at the University of Virginia in January.

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Jennifer Virgin Allcroft of Woodbridge, Va., works for Overseas Private Investment Corp. (OPIC), a government agency which provides financing and political risk insurance to American companies that want to invest overseas in emerging market economies. Jennifer provides direct support for the executive vice president and senior counselor to the President of the United States and general support to the President and Chief of Staff. Jeff, her husband of four years, is the director of management information systems for National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO).

Jeff Miller of Washington, D.C., is a congressional disaster response specialist for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, covering 19 states and all U.S. territories. In this position, Jeff coordinates disaster operations with members of Congress in affected states and territories and acts as a conduit for updates and information about disasters as they occur. Jeff spent the last two-and-a-half years working in the office of Virginia Congressman Bob Goodlatte.

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Beth Kirk Claybrook is a supervisor in the home decor department of Home Depot in Tauton, Mass. Beth and her husband Scott live in Bridgewater, Mass., with their 2-year-old son, Alex.

Elizabeth Lobb Kirk and her husband Tom recently moved to the Richmond area, where Liz teaches third grade at the Maria Christian Elementary School in Chesterfield County. Before moving to Richmond, Liz taught in the Lynchburg, Va., school system for three years.

Michael Varner is a tax consultant in the Northern Indiana Tax Group of Crowe Chizek and Co. LLP. Mike also serves as treasurer and public relations director for the City of Goshen's community playground project. Mike and his wife, the former **Chelsea Yoder**, also '94, serve as senior high youth group leaders and nursery workers at the First Presbyterian Church in Goshen, Ind., where they live.

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Aaron Garber is pursu-

ing a master of music degree in choral conducting from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Richard Martin was promoted in November to quality assurance analyst in the Information Systems department at GE Financial Assurance - Colonial Penn Insurance. In this position, Rick will be testing system application upgrades before they are introduced for use throughout the company. Rick and his wife, the former **Amanda Erickson**, '94, live in Pottstown, Pa.

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Amy Magladry of Hampstead, Md., graduated in December with a master's of education degree from Northwestern State University in Louisiana. In November, she received her National Athletic Trainer Certification



Homecoming '98 Class of 1993

Row 1: Sonya Bucher Miller, Katherine Baldwin Ridder, Karen Glick Hedrick, Missy Alger Stover;
Row 2: Candy Mechalske McAvoy, Jeff Miller, Karen Tyeryar Ridder

from NSU, where she was an athletic trainer for their nationally-ranked football team.

In May, **Joe Oyler** bought a home in Salem, Va. He also re-enlisted in the U.S. Navy.

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Ginger Gates is serving a one-year Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS) assignment with Tri-City Homeless Coalition in Fremont, Calif. Prior to starting her assignment, Ginger attended a three-week orientation at Northern Church of the Brethren in Windsor, Colo., with 23 other volunteers from the U.S., Germany and Croatia.



Ginger Gates, '98

Reid Lundie is working for the *Suffolk News Herald*, a small daily newspaper near his home in Smithfield, Va., covering the public school system.

Sterling Turner is an environmental scientist with Apex Environmental Inc. in Richmond, Va.

Correction:

In the fall issue of *Bridgewater* magazine, **Shannon Hargitt, '93**, of Sandston, Va., was listed as an auditor of public accounts for the Commonwealth of Virginia. It should read that Shannon is a fiscal technician for the Commonwealth of Virginia, auditor of public accounts. We apologize for the error.

Can you imagine choosing a career at the age of 12 and actually making it a reality? Christopher Bono did, and he is enjoying every minute of it.

Chris, a 1988 music major, decided early on that he would like to build organs. His father was a music director for a public school system, and Chris credits this as a big influence. His earliest memories are of classical music being played throughout his home. He even remembers receiving a treasured record of classical music in the fifth grade.

Chris has very high praise for the music department on campus. He came to Bridgewater College because of Dr. John Barr, who played a pivotal role in Chris' academic career. It was Dr. Barr who suggested an internship at Taylor and Boody in Staunton, Va., a firm that hand makes custom-designed organs. Chris' success over two terms while a student led to a job offer, which in turn has led to 10 years of service at Taylor and Boody.

The first instrument Chris worked on was a 44-stop organ, weighing 10 tons, that was shipped to Yokohama, Japan. His most recent projects include a 43-stop organ destined for Tokyo and another medium-sized organ that he accompanied to Matsuyama, Japan, to help with installation.

Chris said he feels that Bridgewater College offers a great deal in the way of music possibilities on campus. He commented, "The commitment to the music program is astounding."

In addition to his work at Taylor and Boody, Chris also serves as organist for the St. Francis Roman Catholic Church in Staunton and as music director for the Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church in Fort Defiance.

Chris and his wife, the former Cynthia Nicholson, a 1985 alumna, have two daughters, Rebekah, 3, and Natalie, 2 months.

— Stephanie L. LaPrade, '00



Chris Bono, '88
Alumni Profile



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Weddings

Cindy Hoff, '80, and Scott Dunbar were married Sept. 12, 1998, in Westminster, Md., where the couple is now living. Cindy is manager of Jo-Ann Fabrics, and Scott is an electrical engineer for Baltimore-based radio stations.

Dr. John T. Carmack, '84, and Karin Leigh Moslow were married Oct. 10, 1998, in Richmond, Va., where the couple is now living. John, who received his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia, practices emergency medicine at Capitol Medical Center. Karin oversees the advertising specialty items division of her family's business, Moslow Wood Products, in Powhatan, Va.

Scott Dovel, '89, and **Katie Jarvis, '96**, were married Sept. 12, 1998, in Charlottesville, Va., where the couple is now living. Scott is a systems analyst at Martha Jefferson Hospital. Earlier in 1998, Katie completed a year of Brethren Volunteer Service at a shelter for pregnant teenagers in Denver.

Zelena Craig, '90, and Robert Martin were married April 11, 1998, in Duck, N.C. Zelena teaches and coaches tennis at Chesterbrook Academy in Lewisville, N.C., and Robert is assistant vice president and network operations manager at Wachovia Bank. The couple is living in Clemmons, N.C.

Gregory W. Campbell, '91, and Carmen M. Gorsuch were married July 11, 1998, in Staunton, Va. Greg is executive director of the Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport and recently was elected president of the Virginia Airport Operators

Council. He also is co-founder of the Shenandoah Valley Aviation Association, a certified member of the American Association of Airport Executives and a commercially-rated pilot. Carmen is a dealer operations manager for Ford Motor Co. The Campbells live in Staunton.

Melissa T. Emerson, '94, and Carl B. Holzner were married July 11, 1998, in Melrose, Va. Melissa is a loan processor at F&M Bank-Massanutten in Harrisonburg, and Carl is an instrumentation engineer with U.M.A. Inc. in Dayton, Va. The couple is making its home in Weyers Cave, Va.

Carla S. Ritenour, '94, and **Jason A. Griffin, '96**, were married Sept. 12, 1998, in Harrisonburg, where they are now making their home.

Lynette Ginder and **Jeffrey Osborne**, both '96, were married Jan. 24, 1998, in Manheim, Pa., where the couple is now living. Jeff is employed by Bomberger's Store Inc. in Lititz, Pa.

Brandon D. Dorsey, '98, and Kristin F. Keiser were married May 30, 1998, in Lexington, Va. Brandon is a contracted employee of Northwestern Mutual. The couple is living in Waynesboro, Va.

Tracey M. Sinnett, '99, and Mark E. Simmers were married June 27, 1998, in Dayton, Va. Tracey, who will graduate in May with a degree in business administration, works in the accounting department at Special Fleet Service Inc. Mark is purchasing and product manager at Rocco Building Supply. The couple is living in Weyers Cave, Va.

Births

Neil Herchenrother, '74, and Beverly have their third child, Anna Jocelyn, born July 7, 1998. She joins older sister Cara, 7, and brother Nathan, 10, at the family's home in Richmond, Va. Neil has been busy designing and building custom cabinetry while taking care of the children, but anticipates getting back to his art work. Beverly continues to work for Trigon full-time.

Michael S. Miller, '78, and Shelley have a daughter, Layne Elizabeth, born Sept. 8, 1998. The Millers live in Harrisonburg.

Russell Caplen, '81, and Kimberly adopted a son, Daniel Jinhyuk, on Sept. 9, 1998. Daniel was born Aug. 21, 1997, in Seoul, Korea. He joins sister Caroline, 3, at the family's home in Alexandria, Va.

Cynthia Nicholson Bono, '85 and **Chris Bono, '88** have a new daughter, Natalie, born Nov. 30, 1998. She joins sister Rebekah, 3, at the family's home in Staunton.

Jeffrey Dean, '87, and Kate have their first child, a son, John Lovett, born Aug. 24, 1998. Jeff was promoted in July to assistant director of athletics and recreational services at Rutgers University at Camden, N.J. The family lives in Haddon Heights, N.J.

Michael A. Jenkins, '87, and **Peggy Neher Jenkins, '88**, have a daughter, Lucia Elizabeth, born April 2, 1998. The family lives in Kingston-upon-Hull, England.

Mark N. Saunders, '88, and Suzanne have their third child, a daughter, Kendall Marie, born Oct. 5,

1998. She joins her brothers, Benjamin, 7, and Matthew, 3, at the family's home in Chester, Va. Mark is a supervisor for Walmart Distribution Center, and Suzanne is a second grade teacher in Chesterfield County.

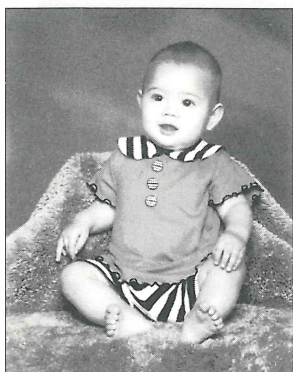
Lora Lanzillotti Smith, '88, and Glenn have a son, Joshua Trainer, born Aug. 15, 1998. Joshua joins older brothers, Micah, 4, and Caleb, 2, at the family's home in Richmond, Va. Lora is a stay-at-home mom, and Glenn is a Virginia state trooper.

Bryan Morris, '89, and **Kelley Rhodes Morris, '92**, have a daughter, Bailey Elizabeth, born Sept. 5, 1998. The family lives in Broadway, Va.

Nancy Hayter Burgess, '90, and **Chris E. Burgess, '91**, have a daughter, Allison Kyle, born June 22, 1998. Nancy teaches physical education and is head volleyball coach at Northumberland High School. Chris manages Callao Supermarket, a family-owned grocery store. The family lives in Callao, Va.

Suzy Weddle Cook, '90, and Jason have a son, Noah James, born May 1, 1998. The Cooks live in Roanoke, Va., where Suzy is an occupational therapist in the Roanoke school system. Jason is a teacher and varsity football and basketball coach in the Roanoke County schools.

E. Todd DeBerry, '90, and **Kristin "Kacey" Cossairt DeBerry, '91**, have a son, Eric Addison, born Sept. 17, 1998. He joins older sister, Kelsey, 3, at the family's home in Leesburg, Va.



Maggie Chu, daughter of Amy Jenkins Chu, '92, and Sam.

Carol Daugherty Guthrie, '90, and Joseph have a son, Brendan William, born Oct. 13, 1998. He joins delighted older sister Julie Anna, 3. The Guthries live in Dublin, Va., where Joe raises beef cattle and Carol is a stay-at-home mom. **Ann Powers Daugherty, '62**, of Vinton, Va., is among the proud grandparents.

Jeffrey J. Riddleberger, '90, and **Suzanne Spicher Riddleberger, '94**, have a son, Jason Lee, born Sept. 19, 1998. The family lives in Dayton, Va.

Glenn A. and Jennifer Cullers Strawderman, both '90, have a daughter, Kendra Jade, born Oct. 10, 1998. The Strawdermans live in Penn Laird, Va.

Sharon Myers Pace, '91, and Andrew have a daughter, Emma Catherine, born Aug. 28, 1998. Andrew is a systems librarian for Innovative Interfaces Inc., and Sharon is a stay-at-home mom. The Paces live in Richmond, Calif.

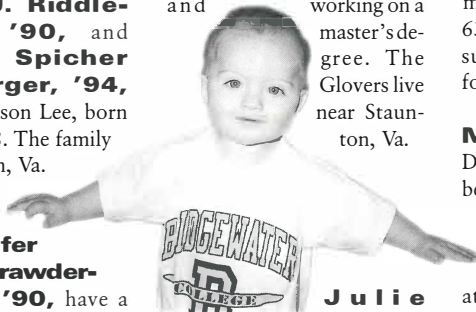
Scott Bird, '92, and Julie have a daughter, Megan McLayne, born Oct. 23, 1998. The family lives in Verona, Va.

Amy Jenkins Chu, '92, and Sam have a daughter, Margaret Amira, born Jan. 20, 1998. The family lives in Fairfax, Va., where Amy is a stay-at-home mom and Sam teaches in the Fairfax County public school system.

Jamie and Katrina Chamberlain Eberly, both '92, have a son, Andrew John, born Oct. 31, 1998. Jamie teaches seventh grade science at S. Gordon Stewart Middle School, and is

boys' and girls' basketball coach at Fort Defiance High School. Katrina is a fifth grade teacher at Ladd Elementary School in Waynesboro, Va. The Eberlys live in Verona, Va.

Kim Riddleberger Glover, '92, and her husband Chris have a daughter, Casey Brooke, born Oct. 21, 1997. Kim is home-schooling her 5-year-old daughter Kaila and working on a master's degree. The Glovers live near Staunton, Va.



Chase James Royer

Julie Hanover Royer, '93, and Mark have a son, Chase James, born Dec. 16, 1997. Both Julie and Mark are police officers for the City of Harrisonburg—Julie is the K9 officer and Mark is a bike officer. The family lives in Penn Laird, Va.

Amanda Erickson Martin, '94, and **Richard W. Martin, '95**, have a son, Eric Nathaniel, born Nov. 12, 1998. The Martins live in Pottstown, Pa.

Darrel Baker, '96, and Heather have a son, Brandt Christian, born Aug. 24, 1998. The family makes its home in Weyers Cave, Va.

Bethy Jo Aikey Cruse, '96, and Charles have a son, Charles Justin, born Nov. 1, 1998. The family lives in McGaheysville, Va.

Bruce A. Layton, '98, and **Stacey Perdue Layton, '00**, have a son, Joshua Paul, born Aug. 28, 1998. The family is making its home in Denton, Md.

Memorials

Claude R. Wine, '23, of Waynesboro, Va., died Oct. 14, 1998, at the age of 92. He retired from the DuPont Company in 1971 and was a member of the Waynesboro Mennonite Church. As a U.S. Army veteran, he served in the European theatre during World War II and was a life member of the V.F.W. Post 632 in Harrisonburg. He is survived by his wife, the former Beulah Lee Obaugh.

M. King Fike, '27, of Dalhart, Texas, died in October 1998, at the age of 95.

Ruth Crist Jordan, '29, died Nov. 14, 1998, at the Bridgewater Home, where she had lived since 1995. She was 92. Mrs. Jordan and her husband **Frank**, a member of the Class of 1928 who died in 1991, lived in Washington, D.C., before moving to their retirement home in Florida. In 1988, they moved to Bridgewater, where she became a member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. Among her survivors are a son, **James D. Jordan, '61**, of Annapolis, Md., and a brother, **Ray Crist, '33**, of Roanoke.

Edna Wampler Pence, '30, died Sept. 2, 1998, at the Bridgewater Home, where she had lived for the past five years. She was 93. Mrs. Pence taught elementary school in Rockingham County for over 40 years. After retiring, she served as a camp counselor at Brethren Woods. Among her survivors is a sister **Effie Wampler Lam, '33**, of Bridgewater.

Dr. Clifford T. Riddel Jr., '33, of Bridgewater, died Nov. 21, 1998, at the age of 85. He earned his M.A. degree from Columbia Univer-

sity in 1943 and his M.D. degree from the University of Maryland in 1949. Dr. Riddel was a teacher and principal for over 10 years before becoming a family practitioner in Bridgewater from 1950-74. From 1974 until his retirement in 1982, he was an emergency room physician at Rockingham Memorial Hospital. A member of Bridgewater Presbyterian Church, he was an elder, trustee and choir member. Active in the community, he was a charter member of the Rockingham Male Chorus and a former member of the Bridgewater Town Council and the Bridgewater Planning Commission. He is survived by his wife, the former **Wilma Moyers, '34**, of Bridgewater, and their daughter, **Patricia Riddel Early, '65**, of Dayton.

Beverly D. Appleton, '42, of Strasburg, Va., died Nov. 4, 1998, at the age of 78. A retired major in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves, he served in the South Pacific Islands and the Philippines during World War II. He was retired from Stone and Webster Corp. of Richmond as a civil engineer. Among his survivors is a brother, **Col. Maurice L. Appleton Jr., '40**, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Maynard A. Garber, '43, of Verona, Va., died Sept. 13, 1998, at the age of 78. Before retiring, Mr. Garber was a furniture sales representative for Augusta Furniture Co. A member of Staunton Church of the Brethren, he was active in the Senior Adult Group of the church. He also was a member of the Staunton Choral Society and served as a volunteer at King's Daughters' Hospital. He is survived by his wife Violet. Also among his survivors are a daughter, **Debbie Garber Landes, '88**, of Verona, Va.; a brother, **Dr. Merlin**

E. Garber, '36, of Salem, Va.; a sister, **Elva G. Huffman, '39**, of Harrisonburg; and a granddaughter, **Heather E. Landes, '00**, of Verona.

Bruce M. Graham, '43, of Bridgewater, died of cancer on Oct. 6, 1998. He was 77. During World War II, he served on the submarine USS Redfin in the South Pacific and was discharged from active duty in 1946. In 1963, he retired from the Navy Reserves with the rank of commander. Mr. Graham began a 33-year career with the Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service in 1946. In 1971, he became deputy administrator of NASS and chairman of the Crop Reporting Board. Following his retirement in 1979, he was a visiting professor at Kansas State University, working on improving survey methods in agriculture statistics in the Philippines and in Thailand. In 1988, he moved to Bridgewater, where he was a member of Bridgewater United Methodist Church and the Ruritans. He also was a member of the Bridgewater Town Council from 1994 until his death. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, the former **Mary Ryan, '43**, of Bridgewater. Also among his survivors are a sister, **Charlotte G. Garner, '44**, of Bridgewater, and a brother, **George H. Graham, '53**, of Arlington, Va.

Calvin F. Showalter, '46, of Marshall, Va., died Aug. 16, 1998, at the age of 73. After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, he worked a number of years for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. He was an engineer of avionics software for the U.S. Navy until his retirement in 1985. He is survived by his wife, the former

Mary Joe Conley, '44.

The Rev. Carl Simmons Jr., '48, of Randallstown, Md., died Oct. 9, 1998, at the age of 71. He taught chemistry and physics at Western High School in Baltimore for 17 years before retiring in 1989. Earning a master's degree in divinity from Bethany Theological Seminary in 1951, Mr. Simmons held pastorates in the Church of the Brethren in Kansas, California, Washington, Oregon and Maryland. He was a member of the board of Central Maryland Ecumenical Council, taught Sunday School and did volunteer work for the Church of the Brethren. He is survived by his wife Eva.

Mary Jane Brownlee Kiser, '67, of Fishersville, Va., died Oct. 19, 1998. She is survived by her husband Norman.

James F. Dean, '78, of Kill Devil Hills, N.C., died Sept. 26, 1998, at the age of 42. Mr. Dean was employed by Village Realty. He is survived by his wife, the former **Lisa Ann Meyer, '79**. Also among his survivors are his mother, **Margaret Seese Dean, '43**, of Bridgewater, and two sisters, **Julia Dean Umble, '76**, of Friendsville, Md., and **Dianne Dean, '77**, of Oakton, Md.

James E. Hodges Jr., '80, of King William, Va., died Oct. 18, 1998, of pancreatic cancer, at the age of 40. Before becoming principal of King William County High School in 1996, Mr. Hodges was a teacher, activities director, assistant principal and coach for basketball and tennis in the Staunton (Va.) school system. He is survived by his wife Nan.

Harry A. Driver, a life member of the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees since 1969, died Dec. 8, 1998, at the age of 95. A resident of Weyers Cave, Va., he had not been in good health for the past year.

In 1926, Mr. Driver received a master of accounting degree from Dunsmore Business College in Staunton, Va.

Mr. Driver worked in the banking industry for 41 years, serving as vice

In Remembrance

Harry A. Driver

president of Rockingham National Bank which later became Dominion Bank and is now First Union, before retiring in 1968.

During his banking career, Mr. Driver received many honors and at one time served as a director of the Virginia Bankers Association.

He was a member of the Pleasant Valley Church of the Brethren, where he served as a deacon and a Sunday School teacher and was a life member of the Title Trustees.

Among Mr. Driver's survivors is a daughter, **Dorothy D. Wright, '50**, of Weyers Cave. ■

Dr. Karl P. Flora, an internationally recognized authority in the pharmaceutical chemistry of anti-cancer drugs, died Aug. 31, 1998, after battling non-Hodgkins lymphoma.

Dr. Flora, director of the Division of Product Quality Research in the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), was 49.

A 1971 graduate of Bridgewater, Dr. Flora received his Ph.D. in pharmaceutical chemistry from the Medical College of Virginia in 1976.

In 1977, he moved to the Washington, D.C., area, where he spent 16 years in the Pharmaceutical Resources Branch of the National Cancer Institute. While there, he worked in several capacities, including branch chief. One of his more cherished activities was serving as coordinator of pharmaceutical and chemical development of anti-AIDS drugs from 1987-90.

In 1993, he joined the FDA as director of pharmaceutical chemistry research. His interests

centered around dosage form development and analytical chemistry, especially for anti-cancer agents. Dr. Flora is distinguished for cultivating the development of a Product Quality Research Initiative which fosters industrial and FDA research on enhancing pharmaceutical quality.

In addition to his active research duties at the FDA, Dr. Flora served as chairman of an international committee dealing with worldwide issues of dosage form development for new anti-cancer agents.

Dr. Flora was a member of numerous honorary, professional and scientific societies,

including a charter membership in the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists. He also was a member of Manassas Church of the Brethren.

He is survived by his wife, the former Patricia Webb of Centreville, Va. Also among his survivors are his parents, **the Rev. Kermit P. Flora, '36**, and **Pauline Maxwell Flora, '35**, of Bridgewater; and a son, **Kyle**, a junior majoring in chemistry at Bridgewater College. ■

In Rememberance

Dr. Karl P. Flora, '71

Judge William L. Forbes, who retired in 1995 as chief judge of the Chesapeake (Va.) Circuit Court, died Nov. 1, 1998, at the age of 71.

A 1951 graduate of Bridgewater, Judge Forbes earned his law degree from the Marshall-Wythe Law School of the College of William and Mary.

Judge Forbes served 15 years on the Circuit Court and had previously served five years as judge of the General District Court. He also had served as Commonwealth's Attorney for the City of South Norfolk.

Instrumental in the formation of the City of

Chesapeake — the merging of South Norfolk and Norfolk County — he served for many years as its first city attorney.

In 1996, Judge Forbes was named First Citizen of Chesapeake by the Great Bridge Jaycees.

He was a member of Great Bridge United Methodist Church and past president of the Chesapeake Rotary Club. Judge Forbes also was a member of the

Chesapeake and American Bar Associations. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He is survived by his wife, Vanette "Nancy" Schultz Forbes. ■

In Rememberance

Judge William L. Forbes, '51

A Commitment to Health and Wellness



At its November meeting, the Board of Trustees enthusiastically endorsed a proposal from the administration to construct a health and wellness center at Bridgewater College when sufficient funds have been donated. By its approval, the board recognized that the longstanding need for such a facility has become urgent.

The urgency is fueled by several factors: increased enrollment, additional intercollegiate sports and intramural participation, focus on health and wellness as a fundamental component of balanced education, and the College's desire to encourage all members of its community — faculty, staff and students — to be actively involved in wellness activities.

In the four years since I became president of the College, full-time enrollment has grown from 860 to 1,112, and we expect a fourth consecutive year of increased enrollment next year. The increase in the number of students living on campus is more dramatic. Since 1994, residential students have increased by 40 percent, from 661 to 922. While we have been able to accommodate this increase in our residence halls, food services and classrooms, we have put a tremendous strain on our 1957 athletic facility, Nininger Hall. We are barely able to handle existing demands, let alone expand our health education and wellness programs as planned.

Today more students are participating in our traditional sports than ever before with football, for example, attracting 100 students this year. To our traditional programs we have added new ones: women's track, women's cross country and women's soccer. These programs have stretched to capacity space for play, practice, lockers and offices. By necessity, intramural teams play at night to have their turn in Nininger. Many of these students major in health and physical education, a very popular major we intend to strengthen.

Both our hallmark Personal Development Portfolio Program and the new General Education Plan call for increased emphasis on health and wellness. As a college, we have recognized that one's emotional and physical well-being is vital to being an educated person, as a student and throughout life. Presently, we lack the physical space to fully translate this philosophy into our daily experience.

The need for more space to accomplish our academic and program goals is evident. Additionally, we want to improve the social scene at Bridgewater College. We are challenged by our rural setting to provide night and weekend activities that are wholesome and fun. We want to create more reasons for our students to stay on campus during their leisure time, rather than leave for off-campus activities that are incompatible with wellness and maturity.

About 30 days after the board took its action, my friend Fred Funkhouser called me to offer to contribute \$1 million to the proposed health and wellness center! Fred saw the natural connection between the College's interest in health and wellness and his desire to honor his late wife, Virginia Coffelt Funkhouser, and her lifetime devotion to youth and to wellness. Virginia was a nurse and worked years ago at Rockingham Memorial Hospital. Fred, a local businessman and banker until his retirement and move to Florida, has generously supported local institutions, such as RMH, in memory of his wife's service. We are truly privileged and grateful for Bridgewater College's opportunity to honor Virginia and recognize Fred's generosity.

In recognition of his gift, we will name the facility *The Fred O. and Virginia C. Funkhouser Center for Health and Wellness*. In the coming months, we will solicit the additional funds needed to build the building and will commence construction when all necessary funds are raised. This critical facility will serve Bridgewater College for many generations. The tremendous use that it will enjoy will serve as a daily reminder of the lives and generosity of Fred and Virginia Funkhouser — friends of Bridgewater College, promoters of health and wellness, and advocates for the development of young people.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Phil", written in a cursive, flowing style.

Phillip C. Stone
President

Bridgewater College Concert Choir

1999 Spring Concert Tour

MARCH

16	Bridgewater College Chapel Bridgewater, Virginia	7 p.m.
19	Franklin Presbyterian Church Franklin, West Virginia	7:30 p.m.
21	St. Andrew's United Methodist Church Parkersburg, West Virginia	10:30 a.m.
	Calvary United Methodist Church Stuarts Draft, Virginia	7:30 p.m.
26	Highland Presbyterian Church Lancaster, Pennsylvania	7:30 p.m.
27	Chiques Church of the Brethren Manheim, Pennsylvania	7:30 p.m.

28	Conestoga Church of the Brethren Leola, Pennsylvania	10 a.m.
28	Moler Avenue Church of the Brethren Martinsburg, West Virginia	4 p.m.

APRIL

18	Bridgewater Church of the Brethren Bridgewater, Virginia	11 a.m.
24	Collinsville Church of the Brethren Collinsville, Virginia	7:30 p.m.
25	Peters Creek Church of the Brethren Roanoke, Virginia	11 a.m.
	Cloverdale Church of the Brethren Cloverdale, Virginia	3 p.m.

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